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## In spending plan, a shower of tax cuts

Republicans say \$24.2B package 'not a bipartisan budget'

By Christopher Keating  
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — From gasoline to residential property to cars in 75 communities, Connecticut residents will be showered with tax cuts in an election year as the state's budget surplus keeps climbing.

Lawmakers were still debating Monday night on the \$24.2 billion annual state budget that includes a series of tax and spending proposals that are being applauded by Democrats and derided by some Republicans.

The massive, 673-page package includes a \$250-per-child tax credit for the first time in Connecticut history that will help struggling families pay for diapers, day care, and other necessary items. But Republicans complained that the tax credit will last for only one year

because lawmakers are concerned about a projected budget deficit as soon as the 2024 fiscal year after billions in federal coronavirus stimulus money run out.

The tax cuts total about \$600 million in a budget for the next fiscal year in which spending will increase by 2.5% over the current budget.

In a move closely watched by senior citizens and others, withdrawals from 401(k) plans will be free from the Connecticut personal income tax starting in the current

tax year, officials said. Withdrawals from IRAs will be phased out at 25% each year for four years, starting in 2023, according to the governor's budget office. The changes would not affect any of the federal rules, and withdrawals would still be subject to federal income taxes.

The legislature is also phasing out state taxes on pensions and annuities in a move with bipartisan support.

Surrounded by elderly residents who were wearing their trademark red T shirts Monday at the

state Capitol, Gov. Ned Lamont turned to the crowd and said, "AARP — you don't have to move to Delray! You can stay right here in Connecticut."

Single filers with a federal adjusted gross income of more than \$75,000 per year and couples with income above \$100,000 per year will not receive any state tax breaks on the withdrawals. Only those below those income levels will be eligible.

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## Muslims unite in prayer

Enas Ghassal and daughter Zainab Dogan, of Hartford, left, visit baby Fatima Ishak and her mother Sherifa Ishak, of Hartford, during an Eid al-Fitr communal prayer organized by The Islamic Center of Connecticut at the XL Center in Hartford on Monday. Thousands of Muslims from all over Connecticut representing over 100 ethnicities participated in the event.

## Residents asked to watch for bias issues

West Hartford officials hope to track incidents to combat hate crime

By Don Stacom  
Hartford Courant

A week after white supremacist fliers were scattered across a West Hartford neighborhood, the town is asking residents to notify police if they get similar leaflets or witness other forms of hate incidents or hate crimes.

With bias attacks on the rise nationally, police in Connecticut want to track exactly what's happening and where, West Hartford officials and anti-bigotry groups said at a press conference Monday.

Police Chief Vernon Riddick said an important part of combatting such attacks is ensuring that investigators have up-to-date information about incidents targeting people based on bias.

"Information is king. (The recent fliers) could be a precursor to a crime — if you have these inflammatory, hateful thoughts, that could lead to violence because you have emotion. If it's driven by emotion and hate, that's a bad recipe," Riddick said.

Sen. Richard Blumenthal visited West Hartford on Monday morning to encourage the town to apply for funding from the Jabbar-Heyer No Hate Act, a bill he championed that provides \$5 million in federal grants to improve hate crime reporting systems.

Blumenthal cautioned that non-violent incidents like the flier distribution could lead to worse incidents.

"What you see here is almost the beginning of the spread of a virus much like COVID. COVID is contagious and so is hate speech and hate crime — the two are linked," Blumenthal said. "But courage is contagious also. The citizens who stand up to it are to be commended."

Police estimated more than 100 fliers were left overnight outside homes near the Fairview Cemetery; police said some were dumped from a moving car, others were distributed to individual homes. The papers purported to come from the New England National Socialist Club, which the ADL has labeled as a neo-Nazi organization.

"We stand for the security and prosperity of white New Englanders," it read, and referred to Black Lives Matter as a "criminal, anti-American and anti-white street gang." The flier said the group is building "a network of likeminded men & women dedicated to defending their lands and their people."

Stacy Sobel, director of ADL Connecticut, said the fliers are just one example of a wave of racist and anti-Semitic incidents across the station and the nation.

"When West Hartford woke up last week to find white supremacist propaganda fliers strewn around this beautiful town, there is fear," Sobel said. "An ADL

## Jury hears from Fitbit expert, victim's mother

Data from activity tracker used to poke holes in Dabate's story

By Taylor Hartz  
Hartford Courant

Jurors on Monday finally heard testimony about the Fitbit Connie Dabate was wearing when she was murdered.

Investigators used data from the activity tracker to poke holes in her husband's story that a masked intruder broke in and shot her.

In the fifth week of the "Fitbit murder" trial against Richard Dabate, a physiologist who is a

leading researcher in the science behind wearable fitness tracking technology took the stand and told the jury that the type of Fitbit Connie Dabate wore on her hip has been found to track its wearer's step counts with precise accuracy.

Keith Diaz, PhD, told the jury that Fitbits — especially the model Connie Dabate was wearing at the time of her murder — keep a nearly perfect record of the number of steps a person takes.

Authorities have said that Connie Dabate's Fitbit showed her moving after the time her husband said the intruder — described by

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In December 2017, family, friends and neighbors gather for a candlelight vigil for Connie Dabate, of Ellington, at Arbor Park, where she lived.

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### WAR IN UKRAINE

## Shipments put strain on US arsenal

Biden to visit plant in Alabama in push for more aid to Kyiv

By Ben Fox, Aamer Madhani, Jay Reeves and Dan Huff  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The planes take off almost daily from Dover Air Force Base in Delaware — hulking C-17s loaded up with Javelins, Stingers, howitzers and other materiel being hustled to Eastern Europe to resupply Ukraine's military in its fight against Russia.

The game-changing impact of those arms is what President Joe Biden hopes to spotlight as he visits a Lockheed Martin plant Tuesday in Alabama that builds the portable Javelin anti-tank weapons that have played a crucial role in Ukraine.

But Biden's visit is also drawing attention to a growing concern as the war drags on: Can the U.S. sustain the cadence of shipping vast amounts of arms to Ukraine while maintaining the healthy stockpile it may need if a new conflict erupts with North Korea, Iran or elsewhere?

The U.S. already has provided about 7,000 Javelins, including some that were delivered during the Trump administration, about one-third of its stockpile, to Ukraine, according to an analysis by Mark Cancian, a senior adviser with the Center for Strategic and International Studies international security program. The Biden administration says it has committed to sending about 5,500 to Ukraine since the Russian invasion more than two months ago.

Analysts also estimate that the

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## Officials looking at aging levees to minimize flood risks

U.S. Rep. John Larson and local officials stressed what's at stake as they announced \$200,000 in federal funding to study the aging levee systems in Hartford and East Hartford. **Connecticut, Page 1**

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KATHY BOUDIN 1943-2022

'60s radical spent 22 years in prison for role in fatal heist

By Michael Hill  
Associated Press

Kathy Boudin, a former Weather Underground radical who served 22 years behind bars for her role in a fatal 1981 armored truck robbery and spent the latter part of her life helping people who had been imprisoned, has died at age 78, according to her family.

Boudin, who lived in New York City, died of cancer Sunday surrounded by family, including her life partner David Gilbert, who was released from prison last year for his own role in the infamous Brink's armored truck robbery.

Boudin had expressed remorse for the robbery, in which a guard and two police officers were killed north of New York City.

Behind bars, the former '60s radical was described as a model prisoner.

She was released on parole in 2003, a move that infuriated some relatives and friends of the three men slain in the botched Brink's robbery.

Boudin kept a low profile after her release and continued to work on behalf of inmates and former inmates.

Her son with Gilbert, Chesa Boudin, said his mother devoted herself to others well after her cancer diagnosis in 2015.

Kathy Boudin was the daughter of civil rights attorney Leonard Boudin and became a radical activist in the 1960s, joining the Weather Underground.

The group helped define the radical anti-Vietnam War movement with its violent protests and bombings. Boudin was once seen fleeing naked from a 1970 explosion of a Greenwich Village townhouse that police said was used by radicals as a bomb factory.

She and Gilbert joined members of the

Black Liberation Army in the Oct. 20, 1981, robbery, stealing \$1.6 million in cash from an armored car outside the Nanuet Mall near the Hudson River community of Nyack.

Brink's guard Peter Paige was killed in the robbery and two police officers, Sgt. Edward O'Grady and Officer Waverly Brown, were killed when a getaway truck was stopped at a roadblock and gunmen burst from the back with weapons firing.

Boudin, who had been in the truck's passenger seat, was apprehended as she fled.

She pleaded guilty in 1984 to murder and robbery, while maintaining that her role in the crimes was limited and that she was unarmed.

"I feel terrible about the lives that were lost as a result of this incident," Boudin said in court, standing next to her father. "I have led a life committed to political principles. I believe I can be true to these principles in vari-

ous ways without engaging in violent acts."

She was sentenced to 20 years to life.

In prison, she developed a program on parenting behind bars and helped write a handbook for inmates whose children are in foster care. She earned a master's degree and worked to help inmates with AIDS.

After her release, she founded a program that provides health care for people returning from incarceration and co-founded the Center for Justice at Columbia University, which seeks alternatives to mass incarceration.

She earned a doctorate from Columbia University Teachers College and taught at the Columbia School of Social Work, according to the Center for Justice. Gilbert, who did not plead guilty, was sentenced to 75 years to life. Former New York Gov. Andrew Cuomo granted clemency to Gilbert just before the Democrat resigned last summer.

Fliers

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recent report measured a 20-fold increase in the last four years in white supremacist propaganda, stickers, fliers and banners here

in Connecticut."

David Warren, president of the Jewish Federation of Greater Hartford, said he and Blumenthal have spoken together over the years at many gatherings concerned with rising hate incidents.

"Never did we imagine the level of

bigotry, the expansion of hate groups and the explosion of hate crimes that we are now witnessing," Warren said. "Last year the FBI reported 2021 was the highest level of hate crime reporting in 12 years across the country."

Warren commended West Hartford for

transparency about the most recent incident.

"The measure of a community is not whether hate crimes occur — hate crimes and bias incidents will occur in almost every community, corporation or school," Warren said. "The measure of a community is how it responds."

Trial

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Dabate as a large man wearing all camouflage — shot her.

Diaz, a certified physiologist and assistant professor at Columbia University Medical Center, is the director of the Exercise Testing Laboratory at the Center for Behavioral Cardiovascular Health. He has studied wearable technologies, specifically different types of Fitbits, for years and was called to the stand Monday by State's Attorney Matthew C. Gedansky. He told the jury about his research and the accuracy it has revealed in Fitbit technology.

During a cross-examination by Dabate's defense attorney Trent LaLima, Diaz also said that the Fitbit does not, however, track when in any given minute a person is moving and does not keep its own time.

The time a persons' steps are taken are recorded in Fitbit data based on the device — like a smartphone or computer — that they're synched to, not by the Fitbit itself.

Richard Dabate told police and his family after the murder that he came home on the morning of Dec. 23, 2016, after the home's security alarm went off. He found an intruder rifling through an upstairs closet. The man demanded his cash and credit cards, Dabate handed them over, and then he heard the garage and kitchen doors open.

Dabate said he figured his wife was home

early from her spin class at the local YMCA. He shouted for her to run. Then he heard her head downstairs to the basement and said he thought she was going to get a gun to protect herself.

Dabate told police and family that he then heard the masked man follow her into the basement, where he heard a gunshot. Connie Dabate was found shot to death in the basement.

According to a warrant, Connie Dabate left the YMCA just after 9 a.m. and their garage door opened last just after 9:20 a.m.

Her Fitbit shows her last movement at 10:05 a.m., Diaz said.

Leading up to her last movement, her Fitbit showed what Diaz called "incidental" movement — he described this type of movement as the kind that would be recorded if someone were doing household chores, not the kind of data a Fitbit would show if someone were purposefully walking somewhere or running from someone.

Diaz said his assessment is based on a peer-reviewed and published research in which he and his colleagues studied multiple users wearing different kinds of wearable technology while walking, jogging, running or standing still on treadmills.

"We found that the Fitbit device was very accurate at measuring steps," Diaz said.

The most accurate Fitbit they tested was the hip-worn model Connie Dabate was wearing.

"It was really, really accurate," he said.

Connie Dabate's movement was more "intentional" — meaning about 60 steps or so per minute — around 8:15 to 8:34 a.m. that morning. The Fitbit recorded some very light stepping about 10:05 a.m. That was her last registered movement.

LaLima cross-examined Diaz, asking him to describe how a Fitbit works. Diaz explained that the device has crystals that move around three plains and elicit a voltage that is read as acceleration or steps.

LaLima asked him whether the device could record how many steps a person made in a few seconds, or just over the course of a minute. Diaz said the data is recorded per minute, meaning someone could walk 30 steps in 10 seconds and stop moving, and the device would record that they walked 30 seconds within the surrounding 60-second window.

Diaz also told LaLima that the Fitbit itself does not keep time. The time the steps are taken is connected to the time kept on the device that the data is loaded. If the phone or computer the device was connected to was not set to the right time, the timing of the steps taken would not be accurate.

The jury on Monday also heard from Connie Dabate's mother, Cindy Margotta of Ellington, who spoke to both her daughter and son-in-law the morning of the murder.

Margotta said Richard Dabate texted her to ask if one of the couple's young sons had left a jacket at her home. She'd been watching her grandsons that weekend while the

couple was in Vermont.

Her daughter, she said, called her that morning and "was stressed."

The two were very close, Margotta said. "I considered her a close friend, and she considered me a very close friend," said the mother. "She shared a tremendous amount with me, more than I think most mothers and daughters."

On the morning of Dec. 23, Connie Dabate told her mother she was going to make an appointment with her therapist, Margotta told the jury Monday.

Gedansky asked Margotta if she knew why her daughter wanted to talk to her therapist — a question LaLima objected to but the judge ultimately allowed.

"She said that Rick was a mess," she told Gedansky.

Dabate's lawyer questioned Margotta further on her conversation with her daughter that morning, asking whether she'd told police what she was telling the jury.

"She said Rick was a mess that morning and she wanted to see Barb [her therapist]," Margotta said. "And then she said to me, 'I love you mom. You're my best friend.' "

It has been more than six years since Connie Dabate was killed and five years since Richard Dabate was charged in connection with her death. He faces charges of murder, tampering with evidence and lying to police.

He is free on a \$1 million bond and his trial is scheduled to continue Tuesday in Rockville Superior Court.

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# Connecticut legislators could receive pay raises

Lawmakers to vote on 1st salary increases in 20 years

By Christopher Keating  
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — After more than 20 years and plenty of voter complaints, Connecticut state legislators are expected to vote in the next two days on their first pay raises in two decades that would be awarded in 2023.

For years, legislators have been afraid to vote on hiking their pay — even though the increase would be prospective and only awarded to the winners in the November elections.

Lawmakers were debating the \$24.2 billion state budget late Monday night and said that a vote on the pay raises would not be held until after budget vote.

The impetus for the idea came from opening-day speeches in February by two retiring legislators — Democratic Rep. Joe de la Cruz of Groton and Republican David Wilson of Litchfield — who inspired lawmakers to consider a raise that would be adjusted every two years for inflation. Both lawmakers said that the legislature could recruit better candidates by increasing the annual base salary of \$28,000 per year that has not

increased since 2001.

House Speaker Matt Ritter of Hartford said that the speeches had started the debate, which will also include the salaries of the statewide constitutional officers like the Secretary of the State. The attorney general, for example, is currently paid \$110,000 per year for overseeing 200 lawyers, which would be a relatively large law firm. Ritter said the attorney general should be paid at least the same as a Superior Court judge, who currently receive \$180,000 per year after a 4.5% raise for the current fiscal year. The judges are scheduled to get another 5% raise in the next fiscal year.

Future increases would be made automatically in the same way that inflation increases Social Security benefits on an annual basis. For legislators, the increases would be adjusted every two years.

The \$24.2 billion state budget would fund the pay raises for state legislators, who also receive additional stipends for various leadership posts.

While some lawmakers have balked at pay raises, House Republican leader Vincent Candelora of North Branford says this year might be different.

“It’s been a political football for 20 years. It’s why this issue has never been taken up,” said Candelora, who owns a small business.

“It’s reached a point where only wealthy people can serve in public office, and that’s not the way our system should be set up.”

While the pay raise would be funded by the budget, any raises would be covered in a separate bill with a separate vote.

Many legislators have other jobs, but some like deputy House Speaker Pro Tempore Robert Godfrey of Danbury do not. While some legislators have been afraid to support a pay increase for themselves due to fear that they would be blasted by their opponent in the next election campaign, Godfrey has sponsored a bill that would raise the pay by the combined inflation rate over the past 21 years — pushing the new salary to more than \$44,000 per year. While some in the general public have a “throw the bums out” attitude, Godfrey says the increased salary would lead to better candidates for office.

Besides the base salary, many lawmakers receive additional money for various leadership and committee positions, as well as unvouchered expenses and mileage reimbursements for driving to Hartford. With everything included, top leaders can receive more than \$40,000 per year.

Members of the U.S. Congress, by contrast, receive an annual salary of \$174,000 per year, plus benefits and various perks that include everything from travel to use of the Congress-

sional gym that comes complete with a swimming pool and sauna.

Beyond pay, legislators receive a state-paid medical benefits package that is far less expensive for lawmakers than the premiums and co-pays paid by many of their constituents. Godfrey, however, said that health insurance does not pay the rent or the mortgage. Newer lawmakers also do not have the same lucrative pension benefits as their older colleagues because of agreements reached by the State Employees Bargaining Agent Coalition that are sharply different from the oldest state employees in the Tier 1 pension system.

Lamont, a Greenwich millionaire who accepts no salary as governor, said Monday that he would sign the pay-raise bill.

“If the legislature comes forward on a bipartisan basis and says it’s been [more than] 15 years since we’ve had a raise, and if you believe, that given the \$28,000 ... for a legislator that’s beginning to disqualify a number of people who otherwise would love to be able to serve their state and they can’t because they can’t afford it,” Lamont said, “it’s something I would sign if it came to my desk.”

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Yurii, 53, shows the holes in his heavily damaged house, on Monday in Fenevychi, Ukraine. ALEXEY FURMAN/GETTY IMAGES

## Shipments

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United States has sent about one-quarter of its stockpile of shoulder-fired Stinger missiles to Ukraine.

Raytheon Technologies CEO Greg Hayes told investors last week during a quarterly call that his company, which makes the weapons system, wouldn’t be able to ramp up production until next year due to parts shortages.

“Could this be a problem? The short answer is, ‘Probably, yes,’ ” said Cancian, a retired Marine colonel and former government specialist on Pentagon budget strategy, war funding and procurement.

He said that Stingers and Javelins were where “we’re seeing the most significant inventory issues,” and production of both weapons systems has been limited in recent years.

The war will mean increased sales

for some defense contractors, including Raytheon, which makes the Stinger missiles Ukrainian troops have used to knock out Russian aircraft. The company is also part of a joint venture with Lockheed Martin that makes the Javelins.

Military spending by the U.S. and around the world was rising even before Russia’s Feb. 24 invasion. Biden’s proposed 2023 budget sought \$773 billion for the Pentagon, an annual increase of about 4%.

Biden will visit Lockheed Martin’s facility in Troy, Ala., which has the capacity to manufacture about 2,100 Javelins per year. The trip comes as he presses Congress to approve his request for an additional \$33 billion in security and economic assistance for Kyiv, Western allies and restocking weapons the U.S. has sent to those countries.

Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, D-N.Y., said Monday that he hoped bipartisan agreement on the security package could be reached so the Senate could begin consid-

ering it “as early as next week.”

A White House official said the Pentagon is working with defense contractors “to evaluate the health of weapons systems’ production lines and examine bottlenecks in every component and step of the manufacturing process.”

Meanwhile, in Ukraine, Russia resumed pulverizing the Mariupol steel mill that has become the last stronghold of resistance in the bombed-out city, Ukrainian fighters said Monday, after a brief cease-fire over the weekend allowed the first evacuation of civilians from the plant.

More than 100 people — including elderly women and mothers with small children — left the rubble-strewn Azovstal steelworks on Sunday and set out in buses and ambulances for the Ukrainian-controlled city of Zaporizhzhia, about 140 miles to the northwest, authorities said.

Mariupol Deputy Mayor Sergei Orlov told the BBC that the evacuees were making

slow progress and would probably not arrive in Zaporizhzhia on Monday as hoped for. Authorities gave no explanation for the delay.

Also, House Speaker Nancy Pelosi and a half-dozen U.S. lawmakers met with Polish President Andrzej Duda in Warsaw. The visit followed a weekend visit to Kyiv where they met Ukrainian President Volodymyr Zelenskyy, vowing to support his country until it defeats Russia.

In a statement after the meeting with Duda, Pelosi called him “a valued partner in supporting the people of Ukraine in the face of (Vladimir) Putin’s brutal and unprovoked war.”

In another development, European Union energy ministers met Monday to discuss new sanctions against the Kremlin, which could include restrictions on Russian oil. But some Russia-dependent members of the 27-nation bloc, including Hungary and Slovakia, are wary of taking tough action.

## Budget

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The Lamont administration said the package represented the largest tax cut in state history, rivalling a 1995 tax cut by then-Republican Gov. John G. Rowland when adjusted for inflation.

While the gasoline tax will remain cut by 25 cents per gallon for another seven months, Lamont said he purposely avoided reducing the diesel tax that is used in large volumes by trucks.

“I’ll tell you why. I like to cut taxes that Connecticut people pay, and the diesel tax is overwhelmingly paid by truckers - most of which are coming from out of state, driving through our state, and heading on down to Florida,” Lamont said when asked by The Courant. “That was not a priority for me.”

House Speaker Matt Ritter of Hartford said the tax cuts are possible due to the quickly increasing state budget surplus. He predicted widespread Democratic support but was unsure about Republicans.

“I guess you could say you didn’t do enough, but at some point, that’s a hard argument,” Ritter told reporters. “This is an easy budget to vote for.”

But House Republican leader Vincent Candelora of North Haven said Republicans are concerned about spending increases and one-time tax cuts.

“While we have historic surpluses, we do have deficits on the horizon,” Candelora said outside the House chamber. “This was an opportunity to make systemic change to our tax structure. I would have liked to have seen that systemic change. We could have

reduced the income tax on our residents and make it more affordable. There is just a lot of one-time spending, one-time tax breaks that is disappointing.”

Republicans had pushed for reducing the state income tax from 5% to 4% for single-filers earning less than \$75,000 per year and couples earning less than \$175,000 per year.

“If you’re looking at the election cycle for mailers against our members, yeah, it might be difficult,” Candelora said, referring to votes against tax cuts. “We don’t see cuts to the diesel tax, the cuts to the sales tax. The short-term tax cuts that residents need while we’re going into high inflation. Income tax reductions that we don’t see in this budget. All we have is the one-time child tax credit that disappears after one year. That’s not systemic change. .... For me, this is a very underwhelming budget.”

Candelora said flatly that Republicans had no input into the Democratic-written budget and were completely frozen out of the process.

“This is not a bipartisan budget,” Candelora said. “There was no conversation with our side of the aisle, and the product shows that.”

But Lamont’s chief spokesman, Max Reiss, said Republicans could be taking a chance by voting against the proposal.

“If they’re going to vote against one of the biggest tax cuts in Connecticut history, good luck and God bless them,” Reiss said.

## Tax cuts

The tax cuts include increasing the property tax credit to a maximum of \$300 per tax filer, up from the current \$200. The credit is

effective for the 2022 calendar year and can be received when residents file their taxes before April 15, 2023.

The suspension of the state’s 25-cent-per-gallon gasoline tax will be extended until expiring on December 1.

Car taxes would be reduced for about 75 of the state’s 169 municipalities. The biggest cuts would be for communities with the highest mill rates, while low-tax towns like Greenwich, New Canaan, Darien, Westport, Essex, Kent, Fairfield, Farmington, Madison, and Old Saybrook would receive no relief at all.

The child tax credit would be \$250 per child for a maximum of three children - meaning a reduction of \$750 for the year from the state income tax. The credit will help 600,000 children who are currently claimed as dependents on state tax returns. Single parents earning up to \$100,000 and couples earning up to \$200,000 per year will be eligible for the credit, which lasts for only one year.

The state’s earned income tax credit will remain at its current level of 41.5%, which is far beyond the historical levels since the Connecticut credit was created in 2011. The credit will help an estimated 200,000 taxpayers statewide.

With tax collections exploding, the state will now place an additional \$3.5 billion into the rainy day fund, far beyond last year’s total pension contribution of \$1.6 billion. The \$45.5 billion pension fund has been underfunded because legislators and governors failed for decades to place the minimum contributions into the fund.

“There’s a lot to like in terms of this tax package, but I remain disappointed,” said Rep. Holly Cheeseman, the ranking House Republican on the tax-writing finance

committee. “We were never included in the room. ... I know we can do better. ... The ball was dropped. It wasn’t even punted.”

Not everyone was happy with the budget.

“It is deeply disappointing that the final state budget agreement does not include any increase in funding for the state’s five Independent Living Centers, despite the budget supporting a wide range of other community-based nonprofits,” said Sharon Heddle, chairwoman of the Connecticut Association of Independent Living Centers. “Despite increases in need year after year, our funding has remained stagnant since the Centers were established in 1987. Funding at \$766,000 per year for all five Centers limits our ability to serve the community and costs the state millions in far more expensive residential and emergency services.”

On the spending side, the package includes money for education, teacher training, senior centers, Alzheimer’s disease programs, neighborhood community centers, and training for engineers in the state transportation department. The budget also provides \$630 million to help private providers who hold state contracts, more than \$158 million for child care, an additional \$40 million for the unemployment insurance trust fund, and 24-hour, mobile psychiatric units to help with the growing problem of mental health.

The budget includes money for future pay raises for legislators starting next year, but that increase is subject to a separate vote by lawmakers who have been reluctant to award pay hikes for the past 21 years.

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# Trump bid to shape GOP faces test

Special grand jury selected in Georgia for election probe

By Steve Peoples  
Associated Press

Donald Trump's post-presidency enters a new phase this month as voters across the country begin weighing the candidates he elevated to pursue a vision of a Republican Party steeped in hard-line populism, culture wars and denial of his loss in the 2020 campaign.

The first test comes Tuesday when voters in Ohio choose between the Trump-backed JD Vance for an open U.S. Senate seat and several other contenders who spent months clamoring for the former president's support. In the following weeks, elections in Nebraska, Pennsylvania and North Carolina will also serve as a referendum on Trump's ability to shape the future of the GOP.

In nearly every case, Trump has endorsed only those who embrace his false claims of election fraud and excuse the deadly U.S. Capitol insurrection he inspired last year.

"The month of May is going to be a critical window into where we are," said Maryland Republican Gov. Larry Hogan, a Trump critic defending incumbent GOP governors in Georgia, Ohio and Idaho against Trump-backed challengers this month. "I'm just concerned that there are some people trying to tear the party apart or burn it down."

Few states may be a higher priority for Trump than Georgia, where early voting began Monday ahead of the May 24 primary. He's



Former President Donald Trump arrives for a rally at the I-80 Speedway on Sunday in Greenwood, Neb. SCOTT OLSON/GETTY

taken a particularly active role in the governor's race there, recruiting a former U.S. senator to take on the incumbent Republican for failing to go along with his election lie. For similar reasons, Trump is also aiming to unseat the Republican secretary of state, who he unsuccessfully pressured to overturn President Joe Biden's victory.

Meanwhile, a special grand jury in Atlanta was selected Monday for the investigation into whether Trump and others illegally tried to influence the 2020 election in Georgia.

The investigation has been underway since early last year, and Fulton County

District Attorney Fani Willis took this unusual step of requesting the special grand jury to help it along. She noted in a letter to the chief judge that the special grand jury would be able to issue subpoenas to people who have refused to cooperate otherwise.

The chief judge ordered the special grand jury to be seated for a period of up to a year, beginning Monday. Special grand juries focus on investigating a single topic and making recommendations to the district attorney, who then decides whether to seek an indictment from a regular grand jury.

While the primary season will play out deep into the

summer, the first batch of races could set the tone for the year.

If Republican voters in the early states rally behind the Trump-backed candidates, the former president's kingmaker status would be validated, likely enhancing his power as he considers another bid for the presidency. High-profile setbacks, however, could dent his stature and give stronger footing to those who hope to advance an alternate vision for the GOP.

As Republicans grapple with Trump, Democrats are confronting their own set of revealing primaries.

Candidates representing the Democrats' moderate

and progressive wings are yanking the party in opposing directions while offering conflicting messages about how to overcome their acute political shortcomings, Biden's weak standing chief among them. History suggests that Democrats, as the party that controls Washington, may be headed for big losses in November no matter which direction they go.

But as Democrats engage in passionate debates over policies, Republicans are waging personal and expensive attacks against each other that are designed, above all, to win over Trump and his strongest supporters.

Florida Sen. Rick Scott, who leads the GOP's effort to retake the Senate, described the month of May as a brutal sorting period likely to be dominated by Republican infighting instead of the policy solutions or contrasts with Democrats he'd like to see.

"The primaries too often become sort of character assassinations," Scott said. "That's what has happened."

No race may be messier than the Republican primary election for Georgia's governor. Trump has spent months attacking Republican incumbents Gov. Brian Kemp and Secretary of State Brad Raffensperger. He blames both men for not working hard enough to overturn his narrow loss in the 2020 presidential election.

The results in Georgia were certified after a trio of recounts, and they all affirmed Biden's victory.

Georgia Republican Lt. Gov. Geoff Duncan, a Trump critic who is not running for reelection, described Trump's decision to back former Sen. David Perdue against Kemp an "embarrassing" waste of time that could undermine the GOP's broader goals this fall.

Duncan predicted Trump would ultimately win some races and lose others this month, but he was especially optimistic about Kemp's chances to beat back Trump's challenge.

"If a sitting governor is able to defeat that whole Donald Trump notion by a huge amount — and others down the ticket — I think we're gonna send a message that it's gonna take more than a Donald Trump endorsement to call yourself a Republican," he said.

## Israel slams Russia over Lavrov's Nazism remarks

Foreign minister says Kremlin needs to issue an apology

By Tia Goldenberg  
Associated Press

TEL AVIV, Israel — Israel on Monday lashed out at Russia over "unforgivable" comments by its foreign minister about Nazism and antisemitism — including claims that Adolf Hitler was Jewish.

Israel, which summoned the Russian ambassador in response, said the remarks blamed Jews for their own murder in the Holocaust.

It was a steep decline in the ties between the two countries at a time when Israel has sought to stake out a cautious position between Russia and Ukraine and remain in Russia's good stead for its security needs in the Middle East.

Asked in an interview with an Italian news channel about Russian claims that it invaded Ukraine to "denazify" the country, Sergey Lavrov said that Ukraine could still have Nazi elements even if some figures, including the country's president, were Jewish. "So when they say 'How can Nazification exist if we're Jewish?' In my opin-

ion, Hitler also had Jewish origins, so it doesn't mean absolutely anything. For some time we have heard from the Jewish people that the biggest antisemites were Jewish," he said, speaking to the station in Russian, dubbed over by an Italian translation.

In some of the harshest remarks since the start of the war in Ukraine, Israeli Foreign Minister Yair Lapid called Lavrov's statement "unforgivable and scandalous and a horrible historical error."

"The Jews did not murder themselves in the Holocaust," said Lapid, the son of a Holocaust survivor. "The lowest level of racism against Jews is to blame Jews themselves for antisemitism."

Later, Lapid said Israel makes "every effort" to have good relations with Russia. "But there's a limit and this limit has been crossed this time. The government of Russia needs to apologize to us and to the Jewish people," he said.

An Israeli official confirmed late Monday that Russia's ambassador, Anatoly Viktorov, was summoned to the Foreign Ministry in Jerusalem. The official, speaking on condition of anonymity to discuss a diplomatic matter, said

that Israel "stated its position" and that the sides agreed not to elaborate.

Prime Minister Naftali Bennett, who has been more measured in his criticism of Russia's invasion, also condemned Lavrov's comments.

"His words are untrue and their intentions are wrong," he said. "Using the Holocaust of the Jewish people as a political tool must cease immediately."

In Washington, Senate Majority Leader Chuck Schumer, the highest-ranking Jewish elected official in the U.S., condemned Lavrov's comments as "sickening."

Schumer, D-N.Y., said Russia is fooling no one by trying to justify its brutal invasion of Ukraine with a "deranged conspiracy theory" against the Jewish people.

"I have only one word for this: sickening," Schumer said in the Senate.

Israel's Holocaust memorial Yad Vashem called the remarks "absurd, delusional, dangerous and deserving of condemnation."

"Lavrov is propagating the inversion of the Holocaust — turning the victims into the criminals on the basis of promoting a completely unfounded claim that Hitler



Israeli Foreign Minister Yair Lapid called Nazism comments by Russia's Sergey Lavrov, above, "unforgivable and scandalous and a horrible historical error." MAXIM SHIPENKOV/POOL PHOTO

was of Jewish descent," it said in a statement.

"Equally serious is calling the Ukrainians in general, and President (Volodymyr) Zelenskyy in particular, Nazis. This, among other things, is a complete distortion of the history and an affront to the victims of Nazism."

In Germany, government spokesman Steffen Hebestreit said the Russian government's "propaganda" efforts weren't worthy of comment, calling them "absurd."

Nazism has featured prominently in Russia's

war aims and narrative as it fights in Ukraine.

In his bid to legitimize the war to Russian citizens, President Vladimir Putin has portrayed the battle as a struggle against Nazis in Ukraine, even though the country has a democratically elected government and a Jewish president whose relatives were killed in the Holocaust.

Ukraine also condemned Lavrov's remarks.

"By trying to rewrite history, Moscow is simply looking for arguments to justify the mass murders

of Ukrainians," Ukrainian presidential adviser Mykhailo Podolyak tweeted. Ukrainian Foreign Minister Dmytro Kuleba said Lavrov's remarks exposed the "deeply-rooted antisemitism of the Russian elites."

World War II, in which the Soviet Union lost an estimated 27 million people and helped defeat Nazi Germany, is a linchpin of Russia's national identity. Repeatedly reaching for the historical narrative that places Russia as a savior against evil forces has helped the Kremlin rally Russians around the war.



Families embrace after a flight from Los Angeles arrived Monday in New Zealand. JED BRADLEY/NEW ZEALAND HERALD

## New Zealand reopens, welcomes back tourists

By Nick Perry  
Associated Press

WELLINGTON, New Zealand — New Zealand welcomed tourists from the U.S., Canada, Britain, Japan and more than 50 other countries for the first time in more than two years Monday after dropping most of its remaining pandemic border restrictions.

The country has long been renowned for its breathtaking scenery and adventure tourism offerings such as

bungee jumping and skiing. Before the spread of COVID-19, more than 3 million tourists visited each year, accounting for 20% of New Zealand's foreign income and more than 5% of the overall economy.

But international tourism stopped altogether in early 2020 after New Zealand imposed some of the world's toughest border restrictions.

The border rules stayed in place as the government at first pursued an elimination strategy and then tried to

control the virus. The spread of omicron and vaccinations of more than 80% of New Zealand's 5 million population prompted the gradual easing of restrictions.

New Zealand reopened to tourists from Australia three weeks ago and on Monday to about 60 visa-waiver countries, including much of Europe. Most tourists from India, China and other non-waiver countries are still not allowed to enter.

Tourists will need to be vaccinated and to test them-

selves for the virus before and after arriving.

"Today is a day to celebrate, and is a big moment in our reconnection with the world," said Tourism Minister Stuart Nash.

The border reopening will help boost tourism ahead of New Zealand's upcoming ski season.

But the real test of how much tourism rebounds will come in December, when the peak summer season begins in the Southern Hemisphere nation.



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NEWS BRIEFING

Tennessee Gov. Lee pauses executions after test oversight

From news services

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Gov. Bill Lee paused executions in Tennessee for the rest of the year Monday after revealing that the state had failed to ensure its lethal injection drugs were properly tested. The oversight forced Lee to halt the execution of Oscar Smith an hour before he was to die last month.

Lee didn't initially disclose the reason for stopping Smith's execution other than to say there was an oversight in the preparation of the lethal injection drugs. Tennessee's execution protocols require any compounded drugs to be independently tested for potency, sterility and endotoxins.

In his Monday statement, Lee said the drugs for Smith's execution were tested for potency and sterility, but not endotoxins.

Smith's attorneys had called for a moratorium on executions and independent review of the problems last week. In a Monday statement, Federal public defender Kelley Henry said the Republican governor's decision shows "great leadership."

Lee appointed former U.S. Attorney Ed Stanton to review circumstances that led to the failure.

Smith was sentenced to death for fatally stabbing and shooting his estranged wife, Judith Smith, and her teenage sons, Jason and Chad Burnett, at their Nashville home Oct. 1, 1989.

**Christian flag ruling:** A unanimous U.S. Supreme Court ruled Monday that Boston violated the free speech rights of a conservative activist when it refused his request to fly a Christian flag on a flagpole outside City Hall.

Justice Stephen Breyer wrote for the court that the city discriminated against the activist, Harold Shurtleff, because of his "religious viewpoint," even though it had routinely approved applications for the use of one of the three flagpoles outside City Hall that fly the U.S., Massachusetts and Boston flags.

Occasionally, the city takes down its own pennant and temporarily hoists another flag.

Shurtleff and his Camp Constitution wanted to fly a white banner with a red cross on a blue background in the upper left corner, called the Christian flag, to mark Constitution Day, Sept. 17, in 2017.

The city had approved 284 consecutive applications to fly flags, usually those of other nations, before it rejected Shurtleff's because it was a Christian flag.

**Arrest warrant:** Authorities issued an arrest warrant Monday for a jail official who they say helped an inmate awaiting trial on a murder charge to escape from an Alabama jail. A search was on for the pair.

Inmate Casey Cole White, 38, was shackled and handcuffed when he and Vicky White, the facility's assistant director of corrections, left the Lauderdale County Detention Center in Florence, Alabama, on Friday morning.

They have not been seen since, although the patrol vehicle that the pair used when leaving the detention center was found at a nearby shopping center parking lot after their absence was discovered.

Authorities have no idea where they are, although the inmate should be recognizable by his size. He stands 6 feet, 9 inches tall and weighs



Muslim women offer Eid al-Fitr prayers Monday to mark the end of the holy fasting month of Ramadan in Jakarta, Indonesia. Muslims around the world are observing Eid — typically marked with communal prayers, celebratory gatherings around festive meals and new clothes — in the shadow of a surge in global food prices exacerbated by the war in Ukraine. TATAN SYUFLANA/AP

about 260 pounds.

Authorities warned that anyone seeing the pair should not approach them.

"We consider both of them dangerous and in all probability, both individuals are armed," U.S. Marshal Marty Keely said at a news conference Monday.

Lauderdale County Sheriff Rick Singleton said Monday that they had issued an arrest warrant for Vicky White, 56, on charges of permitting or allowing an escape. She is not related to White.

**Jan. 6 panel:** Three more House Republicans received requests Monday to voluntarily appear before the congressional committee investigating the U.S. Capitol insurrection and answer questions about their involvement in the effort to overturn Donald Trump's 2020 election loss.

The committee sent letters to GOP Reps. Mo Brooks of Alabama, Andy Biggs of Arizona and Ronny

Jackson of Texas — three members of the ultra-right House Freedom Caucus that have in recent years aligned themselves with Trump.

Jackson ruled out cooperating.

The nine-member panel is asking for the members of Congress to testify about their involvement in meetings at the White House, direct conversations with then-President Trump as he sought to challenge his loss in the 2020 presidential election, and the planning and coordination of rallies on and before Jan. 6, 2021.

**Capitol riot verdict:** A federal jury Monday convicted a New York Police Department veteran of assaulting an officer during the U.S. Capitol riot, rejecting his claim that he was defending himself when he tackled the officer and grabbed his gas mask.

Thomas Webster, a 20-year NYPD veteran, was the first Capitol riot defendant to be tried on an assault

charge and the first to present a jury with a self-defense argument.

Jurors deliberated for less than three hours before they convicted Webster of all six counts in his indictment, including a charge that he assaulted Metropolitan Police Department officer Noah Rathbun with a dangerous weapon, a metal flagpole.

Webster, 56, is scheduled to be sentenced Sept. 2.

**Spain spyware attack:** The cellphones of Spain's prime minister and defense minister were infected last year with Pegasus spyware, which is available only to countries' government agencies, authorities announced Monday.

Prime Minister Pedro Sánchez's mobile phone was breached twice in May 2021, and Defense Minister Margarita Robles' device was targeted once the following month, Cabinet Minister Félix Bolaños said.

The breaches, which

resulted in a significant amount of data being obtained, were not authorized by a Spanish judge, which is a legal requirement for national covert operations, Bolaños said at a news conference in Madrid.

The Socialist-led government was during those months under scrutiny over its handling of a foreign policy spat with Morocco and gripped by a domestic dispute over the release of jailed separatists from Spain's Catalonia region.

**Vaccines in Denmark:** Danish health officials said Monday that 1.1 million excess COVID-19 vaccines will be discarded in the coming weeks because their expiration date is near, and efforts to donate them to developing countries have failed.

Around 81% of Denmark's population of 5.8 million has received two doses of a COVID-19 vaccine, while nearly 62% have received a booster shot.

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# Minneapolis police ripped in report

Force abused social media to monitor Black people, groups

By Steve Karnowski  
Associated Press

ST. PAUL, Minn. — Among the scathing findings of an investigation launched after the police killing of George Floyd is that Minneapolis police used covert or bogus social media accounts to monitor Black individuals and groups despite having no clear public safety rationale for doing so.

The report released last week by the Minnesota Department of Human Rights echoes past revelations that the FBI and other law enforcement agencies have — sometimes illegally — secretly surveilled prominent people and communities of color even though they weren’t involved in criminal activity.

Overall, the two-year investigation found that the Minneapolis Police Department engaged in a pattern of race discrimination for at least a decade, including stopping and arresting Black people at a higher rate than white people, more frequent use of force on people of color and a department culture that tolerated racist language.

Regarding social media, it spotlighted departmental abuses turned up in a review spanning activity between 2010 and 2020.

Officers used “covert, or fake” accounts to seek and gain access to the online profiles of Black individuals including an unnamed City Council member and a state elected official, the report said, as well as groups such as the Minneapolis NAACP and Urban League. The activity included friend requests, comments on posts, private messages and participation in discussions.

“When doing so, officers posed as like-minded individuals and claimed, for example, that they met the



Minnesota Department of Human Rights Commissioner Rebecca Lucero speaks during a press conference Wednesday. A report following a two-year investigation by her agency slammed the Minneapolis Police Department. **DAVID JOLIS/STAR TRIBUNE**

targeted person at a prior demonstration or protest,” the report said.

The report acknowledged that law enforcement can have legitimate reasons for tracking social media “if a clear investigative purpose to advance public safety exists,” and if clear procedures and accountability mechanisms are in place.

But Minneapolis police fell well short of those standards, investigators determined, improperly using the accounts “to surveil and engage Black individuals, Black organizations, and elected officials unrelated to criminal activity, without a public safety objective.”

The report doesn’t include enough details to support criminal charges against any specific officers or lawsuits by individuals who were targeted, but some observers say it seems likely the Human Rights Department has other information from the investigation that

a lawyer could use to try to build a case.

Spokesman Taylor Putz said the agency was unable to release any information beyond what’s in the report because the case is still considered open.

Minneapolis police spokesman Howie Padilla said his department was still digesting the document and declined further comment.

Via Twitter, the Minneapolis NAACP expressed dismay over having spent years working with police to try to address problems “only for MPD to continue to stall efforts and turn around and surveil us.”

Andrew Ferguson, a law professor and expert on police technology and surveillance at American University, said that of the many examples of misconduct outlined in the report, “the abuse of social media raises a red flag for all police departments.”

“What is happening

in Minnesota is happening in many jurisdictions, because there are few rules in place and no accountability,” Ferguson said. “Police rummage through social media without limits, turning our digital lives into sources of surveillance.”

For Diala Shamas, an attorney with the Center for Constitutional Rights, the revelations are echoes of a covert FBI program from the 1950s to early ’70s, known as Cointelpro, that illegally conducted surveillance and sabotage against civil rights groups and other organizations, sowing paranoia, distrust and violence. Targets included the Rev. Martin Luther King Jr., the Black Panthers, Malcolm X and many others.

The police actions in Minneapolis, Shamas said, amount to “Cointelpro tactics with a modern twist.”

Law enforcement agencies across the country have been using social media

surveillance for years, however. A 2016 survey by the Urban Institute and the International Association of Chiefs of Police found that 70% of departments mined social networks during investigations.

But the rules governing how they do so are often opaque, vague or not a matter of public record.

In a study last year of every U.S. jurisdiction with at least 100,000 people, researchers at the Brennan Center for Justice found just 35 police departments had publicly available policies that in some way addressed the use of social media for collecting information. Of those, 15 had language setting some limits on undercover or covert online activity. But several were vague or set a low bar for authorization.

“I would say that very few if any of the policies really gave detailed, robust limitations on the use of undercover accounts,” said

Rachel Levinson-Waldman, deputy director of the Brennan Center’s Liberty and National Security Program.

Police misuse of social media has been uncovered in departments beyond Minneapolis, she noted.

In Tennessee, a lawsuit by the state chapter of the ACLU exposed the use of covert Facebook accounts by Memphis officers to target activists of color and community justice advocates. A federal judge determined that violated a longstanding consent decree barring the department from infringing on activities protected by the First Amendment.

And in California, the Brennan Center obtained records showing that third-party social media monitoring companies had pitched their services to the Los Angeles Police Department, including the ability to create furtive accounts for officers. While the city requires approval for some undercover online activity, Levinson-Waldman said, there are exceptions such as for threat assessments that allow officers to sidestep real oversight or accountability.

Facebook and its parent company warned both departments they had violated terms of service, she added. Facebook, Instagram and Twitter all have policies prohibiting the use of their data for surveillance, and Facebook’s guidelines for law enforcement specifically prohibit fake accounts.

Shamas, of the Center for Constitutional Rights, said covert surveillance like that practiced in Minneapolis and elsewhere can have serious and chilling effects.

“The idea that you don’t know that the person you’re liaising with is undercover or an informant means you’re going to be less likely to explore new ideas for strategies and campaigns,” she said, “all the things that are important for a democratic society.”



A pediatrician examines a newborn baby in her clinic in 2019 in Chicago. The American Academy of Pediatrics says it intends to eliminate “race-based” medicine. **AMR ALFIKY/AP**

## Pediatricians’ group moves to end ‘race-based’ guidance

By Lindsey Tanner  
Associated Press

For years, pediatricians have followed flawed guidelines linking race to risks for urinary infections and newborn jaundice.

In a new policy announced Monday, the American Academy of Pediatrics said it is putting all its guidance under the microscope to eliminate “race-based” medicine and resulting health disparities.

A re-examination of AAP treatment recommendations that began before George Floyd’s 2020 death and intensified after it has doctors concerned that Black youngsters have been undertreated and overlooked, said Dr. Joseph Wright, lead author of the new policy and chief health equity officer at the University of Maryland’s medical system.

The influential academy has begun purging outdated advice. It is committing to scrutinizing its “entire catalog,” including guidelines, educational materials, textbooks and newsletter articles, Wright said.

“We are really being much more rigorous about

the ways in which we assess risk for disease and health outcomes,” Wright said. “We do have to hold ourselves accountable in that way. It’s going to require a heavy lift.”

Dr. Brittani James, a family medicine doctor and medical director for a Chicago health center, said the academy is making a pivotal move.

“What makes this so monumental is the fact that this is a medical institution, and it’s not just words. They’re acting,” James said.

In recent years, other major doctor groups including the American Medical Association have made similar pledges. They are spurred in part by civil rights and social justice movements, but also by science showing the strong roles that social conditions, genetics and other biological factors play.

Last year, the academy retired a guideline calculation based on the unproven idea that Black children faced lower risks than white kids for urinary infections.

A review had shown that the strongest risk factors were prior urinary infections and fevers lasting

more than 48 hours, not race, Wright said.

A revision to its newborn jaundice guidance — which suggests certain races have higher and lower risks — is planned for this summer, Wright said.

Dr. Nia Heard-Garris, head of an academy group on minority health and equity and a pediatrician at Chicago’s Lurie Children’s Hospital, noted that the new policy includes a brief history “of how some of our frequently used clinical aids have come to be — via pseudoscience and racism.”

Whatever the intent, these aids have harmed patients, she said.

“This violates our oath as physicians — to do no harm — and as such should not be used,” Heard-Garris said.

Dr. Valencia Walker, a specialist in newborn care and health equity at Nationwide Children’s Hospital in Columbus, Ohio, called the new policy “a critical step” toward reducing racial health disparities.

The academy is urging other medical institutions and specialty groups to take a similar approach in working to eliminate racism in medicine.

## Amazon workers in NYC reject union’s try to organize

By Haleluya Hadero  
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Associated Press

NEW YORK — Amazon workers at a warehouse on Staten Island overwhelmingly rejected a union bid on Monday, dealing a blow to organizers who last month pulled off the first successful U.S. organizing effort in the retail giant’s history.

This time around, warehouse workers cast 618 votes — or about 62% — against the union, giving Amazon enough support to fend off a second labor win and raise questions as to whether the first victory was a fluke.

According to the National Labor Relations Board, which oversees the process, 380 workers — or 38% — voted in favor of the grassroots union. Turnout was 61%, with about 1,600 workers eligible to vote, according to a voter list provided by Amazon.

The few ballots that were challenged by either the company or the nascent Amazon Labor Union, which led the organizing effort, were not enough to sway the outcome. Both parties have until next Monday to file objections to the election. The ALU is planning to object, said Seth Goldstein, a union attorney who provides pro-bono legal assistance to group.

Amazon spokesperson Kelly Nantel said in a statement that the company was glad workers at the warehouse “were able to have their voices heard.”

“We look forward to continuing to work directly together as we strive to make every day better for our employees,” Nantel said.

A separate election held last month gave the ALU a surprise victory when workers at a different Staten Island facility voted in favor of unionizing. That was a first for Amazon in the U.S.

Monday’s defeat will surely sting. A second



ALU President Christian Smalls speaks at a rally outside an Amazon facility April 24 on Staten Island in New York. Workers voted against the ALU on Monday. **SETH WENIG/AP**

labor win was expected to fuel more organizing at the nation’s second largest employer, and cement the power of the ALU.

But despite the momentum after the first win, it was unclear whether the ALU would be able to replicate its success.

Organizers said they had lost some support at the warehouse after filing for an election in February because they directed more energy to the nearby facility that voted to unionize last month. There were also fewer organizers working at the facility — roughly 10 compared with the nearly 30 employed at the other warehouse.

Despite the loss, Chris Smalls, the fired Amazon worker who leads the ALU, wrote on Twitter on Monday he was proud of the organizers who participated, saying they had a tougher challenge after the group’s prior win.

“Nothing changes we organize!” Smalls tweeted. “do not be discouraged or sad be upset and talk to your coworkers”

The same obstacles that plagued the effort the first time, including Amazon’s aggressive anti-union tactics, were at play again.

In the lead-up to the election, Amazon continued to hold mandatory meetings to persuade its workers to reject the union effort, posted anti-union flyers and launched a website urging workers to “vote NO.”

Goldstein, the attorney working with the ALU, argues Amazon stepped up its “union-busting” campaign after the last election, disciplined organizers for engaging in union activities and barred them from displaying a pro-union sign in the breakroom.

The union is also taking issue with the retailer’s use of mandatory anti-union meetings for its workers. The NLRB has allowed companies to mandate such meetings, but the labor board’s top prosecutor is trying to get them outlawed.

The union is also circulating a petition that calls on New York Attorney General Letitia James to investigate Amazon’s eligibility for tax credits in the state.

U.S. Sen. Bernie Sanders is asking President Joe Biden to cut off Amazon’s contracts with the government for what the senator calls its “illegal anti-union activity.” Smalls is expected to attend a Senate hearing on Thursday.



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# Wealthy are pouring in political cash

Self-funders eye key GOP primaries in Ohio, Pennsylvania

By Julie Carr Smyth and Marc Levy  
Associated Press

COLUMBUS, Ohio — Millionaire candidates and billionaire investors are harnessing their considerable personal wealth to try to win competitive Republican primaries for open U.S. Senate seats in Ohio and Pennsylvania.

Mike Gibbons, an Ohio investment banker, leads the pack of self-funders in both states after lending his campaign almost \$17 million. Three other wealthy candidates in the Ohio race — state Sen. Matt Dolan, whose family owns the Cleveland Guardians baseball team; former Ohio Republican chair Jane Timken, whose husband's family founded the steel giant Timken Co.; and “Hill-billy Elegy” author JD Vance — have lent or contributed a combined \$14 million to their campaigns.

In Pennsylvania, heart surgeon-turned-TV celebrity Mehmet Oz, former hedge fund CEO David McCormick and former real estate investment firm CEO Carla Sands report that they have lent their campaigns more than \$20 million combined.

Billionaire tech investor Peter Thiel, the co-founder of PayPal, has poured money into a super PAC backing Vance, while hedge fund billionaire Ken Griffin has contributed millions to a super PAC supporting McCormick.

The influx of money into the Ohio and Pennsylvania primaries illustrates the importance of the two Senate seats, which could help determine party control of the chamber in November. The highly competitive races for the seats being vacated by Ohio GOP Sen. Rob Portman and



Ohio state Sen. Matt Dolan, a Republican candidate for U.S. Senate in Ohio, votes early in the primary election on April 28 in Cleveland. **DREW ANGERER/GETTY**

Pennsylvania GOP Sen. Pat Toomey are expected to be among the most expensive contests in this year's midterm elections.

While the money alone may not determine who wins, it can definitely help.

Sheila Krumholz, executive director of OpenSecrets, a research group that tracks campaign spending, said self-funding has become an increasingly appealing option for wealthy candidates because the lack of limits on personal giving allows them to “fight fire with fire” against deep-pocketed super PACs and dark money groups.

“The massive spending by super PACs and outside groups with anonymous sources means that candidates really can never stop fundraising,” Krumholz said. “They can never have enough money, so self-

funded candidates have that built-in advantage. You're not only raising money to fight an opponent or opponents, you need money to fend off attacks that could come from anywhere, at any moment, in any amount of money.”

Some of the less well-known candidates, such as Gibbons and McCormick, have spent some of their fortunes on TV advertising to introduce themselves to voters. More high-profile contenders, like Oz and Vance, have funneled money into ads to remind voters they have the endorsement of former President Donald Trump, who remains popular with the Republican base.

In Ohio, Josh Mandel, the state's former treasurer, is the only Republican Senate candidate in the seven-person race who hasn't given himself a personal loan.

But he is backed by Club for Growth Action, the super PAC of the conservative Club for Growth, which has spent more than \$4.6 million pillorying his rivals, particularly Vance, ahead of the state's May 3 primary.

For his part, Vance has the support of Protect Ohio Values, a super PAC into which Thiel has invested \$13.5 million.

In Pennsylvania, the state's seven-way Republican Senate primary election on May 17 has been transformed by three wealthy and well-connected candidates who moved from out of state — blue states, no less — to spend their riches on a campaign in the presidential battleground.

In their financial disclosures, Sands, Oz and McCormick report being worth tens of millions — if not hundreds of millions — and

owning properties across the country.

A rival Republican candidate, Kathy Barnette — who has talked of being the product of rape when her mother was 11 and growing up on a pig farm in a house with no running water or insulation — took aim at what she called the GOP's habit of electing “the richest person.”

“How has that served us? Picking the richest person, just because they are the richest person,” Barnette said at a forum in March while sitting feet from Oz and McCormick.

To voters, she said: “How many times have you called your elected official who just so happened to be the richest person in the room and asked them to stand up for you? And how many of them over the past two years have stood up for you?”

McCormick and Oz are being boosted by super PACs and the airwaves are blanketed with their TV ads, helping put the men atop polls in the Republican primary. A super PAC supporting McCormick — and attacking Oz — has reported spending more than \$13 million so far, powered by \$7.5 million from Griffin, the hedge fund billionaire.

All the cash can concern voters, said Terry Casey, a GOP strategist in Ohio.

“The voters, with reason, are legitimately skeptical of candidates spending millions and millions, because who's giving it to them and why?” he said. “So there's an argument that if you're self-funding, maybe you're less tainted, but then it raises the question of, ‘Is this an ego or vanity campaign?’”

# For historic Black town, uncertainty persists

Princeville, NC, is fighting for survival amid climate change

By Tom Foreman Jr.  
Associated Press

PRINCEVILLE, N.C. — As she exits her hometown's only restaurant clutching an order of cabbage and hush puppies, Carolyn Suggs Bandy pauses to boast about a place that stakes its claim as the oldest town chartered by Black Americans nearly 140 years ago.

“It is sacred to me,” says Bandy, 65. “We got roots in this town.”

Yet Princeville, on the banks of the Tar River in eastern North Carolina, is one hurricane away from disaster.

The land has flooded many times. Two hurricanes 17 years apart created catastrophic flooding in the town, which was built on swampy, low-lying land in a bend in the river. And weather is hardly the only thing buffeting Princeville through the decades. It has endured racism, bigotry and attempts by white neighbors to erase it from the map, and from existence.

Now, with a changing climate, the future is more uncertain. Hurricanes are likely to be more intense. Melting glaciers are causing sea levels to rise, making more flooding inevitable.

With each calamity comes a suggestion: Maybe the town should pick up and relocate to safer ground. Many residents, though, say Princeville should — must — stay put. On this land, they see connections — to both a shared history and a continuing fight for survival.

“These are sacred African American grounds,” says Bobbie Jones, Princeville's two-term mayor, using words that echo Bandy's. “How dare we be asked to move our town?”

When freed slaves settled the land that is now Princeville, they didn't choose the site because it was the best



A boat with residents of Princeville, N.C., travels down Main Street after the Tar River flooded the town. **ALAN MARLER/AP 1999**

land. It was all the former slaves could afford.

“It was absolutely worthless,” says Jones, who grew up just outside the town limits. “Nobody wanted it. Nobody could see anything positive for the future of the swampland.”

Despite the poor location, the town thrived, growing from a population of 379 in 1880 to 552 at the turn of the 20th century. It had a school, churches and numerous businesses. The 2020 U.S. Census put the town's population at 1,254, a steep decline from a decade earlier.

The town, incorporated in 1885, calls itself the oldest town chartered by Black Americans. Other towns also make that claim. Princeville — named in honor of Turner Prince, an African American carpenter who was born a slave and became one of the town's first residents — survived multiple attempts by white neighbors to have its charter revoked.

But most dangerous to Princeville's survival today

is its unfortunate location. The town sits in a bend in the Tar River, 124 miles from the Atlantic Ocean at the edge of North Carolina's coastal plain. When slow-moving storms come ashore and move inland, drenching rains drain into the rivers and flood towns along the banks.

An earthen dike surrounds the town on three sides, and it held nature at bay for more than 30 years. Then, in September 1999, Hurricane Floyd hit. Swollen by rain, pushed by winds, the Tar surged over, around and even under the dike, washing homes from their foundations and the dead from their graves.

Firefighter Kermit Perkins, whose mother was mayor at the time, remembers floating past utility poles, the power lines within easy reach of the wooden stick he was carrying.

“In that moment, in that boat, you didn't know what the future was going to hold,” he says. “You didn't know

whether there was going to be a Princeville or not.”

The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers made plans to expand the levee to better protect the town. But then, in 2016, Hurricane Matthew struck, bringing more devastating flooding that left an estimated 80% of the town underwater, according to the Coastal Dynamics Design Lab.

Flooding is likely to get worse. Hurricanes will be “wetter and are likely to be more intense,” according to a summary of the state's climate written by N.C. State University, and melting glaciers are likely to increase sea levels.

Now, with a nearly \$40 million plan to improve the levee, people hope for respite from the flooding. But as another hurricane season approaches, work has yet to begin. Updated computer modeling revealed that the original plan would have caused flooding in other areas. The corps is trying to come up

with a better design.

The delay has frustrated Jones, as he said during the recent virtual celebration of Founders Day.

“If they can do it in the 1800s, certainly we can do it in 2022,” Jones said that day. “Our forefathers didn't quit. Therefore, we can never quit.”

If there is to be a tomorrow for Princeville, it will rely on two accomplishments: restoring its history and bringing in new blood.

The town is full of single-family homes and an apartment complex interspersed with empty buildings that have been boarded up and abandoned as a result of the two latest floods. A church sits with its windows covered in plywood.

Commerce focuses on a small strip with a barber shop and a liquor store flanking a convenience store where residents can get snack foods, buy lottery tickets and fill up with gas. A separate building holds the small sit-down restaurant

where Bandy got her food.

There's no boat access to the river, and an old baptismal site is blocked off by a chain-link fence. The town park consists of a few outbuildings and a football field with old-style goalposts. It currently serves as a COVID-19 vaccination site.

As for basic services, you can't bank, and the last grocery — called “New Beginnings” — closed in 2017, two years after it opened. There's also a Dollar General store. Though the firehouse was rebuilt, the town no longer has its own police force and instead relies on deputies from the Edgecombe County Sheriff's Office.

Jones thinks the town's compelling past could be a lure for tourism. Theming a community around its history, after all, has proved lucrative and restorative for many places. But after so much flooding, little of historic Princeville is left.

The Mount Zion Primitive Baptist Church, with its two front doors and original stained-glass windows, was restored after Floyd but inundated again during Matthew. It remains shuttered, its walls still ripped out several feet high, its congregation worshipping at a nearby sanctuary.

In front of the church stands a marble monument to co-founder Abraham Wooten, whose house on Mutual Boulevard, is believed to be the oldest structure in town — with parts of it thought to date to the 1870s. But it remains exposed to the elements, vines creeping along the eaves and choking the old stove pipe on the roof.

Historical consultant Kelsi Dew says the town is seeking funds to preserve the house and would like to see it placed on the National Register of Historic Places. But in another irony for Princeville, Dew says raising the house above flood levels would make it ineligible for a listing, “as it would compromise the historical context.”



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# OPINION

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Paul Keane had a 9-point stuffed deer-head stored away in his basement 30 years ago and forgot all about it — until now. **COURTESY**

## Lessons in rediscovering a long forgotten 9-point buck

By Paul Keane

The COVID-19 lockdown of 2020 forced me to make my house my entire world.

So I decided to organize my cellar and in the process uncovered a long lost treasure. It was dead when I uncovered it but it had been alive on Nov. 21, 1932.

It was a 9-point stuffed deer head I had stored away in my basement 30 years ago and forgot all about.

I didn't kill that 9-point buck myself. I bought it at a yard sale out on Mascoma Lake for \$25. It had been shot by a woman 90 years ago. Written in pencil on the wooden back the deer head was mounted on were the words:

Shot by Ruth Estey "Fallow Mire" Nov. 21, 1932

I have no idea what "Fallow Mire" means unless it is a well known hunting area. Literally it means "unplanted mud-patch".

I kept the buck in my basement for 30 years because I'm not a hunter and I thought it might depress me to have those dead eyes staring at me in my living room every day.

Plus I thought it might be cheating to display it at all, since the only physical skill I exhibited in obtaining my

9-pointer was using my hands to open my wallet.

To me it would be like hanging a fake college degree on my wall.

To hang a 9-pointer in my house, which I hadn't shot myself, would be boasting. A 9-pointer to a hunter is like "cum laude" on a college degree is to a student: it's praise for achievement, both the buck's antler achievement and the hunter's killing achievement.

Those 9 points on the antlers aren't a huge rack but they are a regal crown on my Mascoma Lake mummy.

And his nose protrudes at a handsome straight aristocratic aquiline angle.

If you Google "deer nose" you discover a deer has 297 million olfactory receptors. A human nose has 5 million and a dog nose has 220 million.

You discover something else too: a deer has a second nose in the roof of its mouth which it uses to analyze the scent of urine.

My 9-pointer has a closed mouth so you can't see the 2nd nose at all.

President Theodore Roosevelt, a taxidermy enthusiast who paid for dozens of animal trophies he'd shot to be mounted, advocated this axiom about displaying stuffed animals: "Carnivore, open mouth: herbivore, closed mouth."

Deer eat grass and leaves not meat. Hence my 9-pointer's closed mouth.

I also discovered that a deer can remember a human scent for 8.5 days.

Just as a tongue-in- cheek comparison, I can still remember the scent of my first grade classroom 72 years later: A deer may have 292 million more olfactory receptors than I do as a human, but my memory is longer.

One researcher followed a buck for 20 days and discovered it had traveled 225 miles or about 11 miles a day.

If Ruth Estey shot my buck in 1932 near the Mascoma Lake yard sale where I bought its mounted mummy in 1992, then my buck was only 20 miles from my house in Hartford, Vermont on the final day of his life.

Whether he ever got to Hartford alive on his own four feet in 1932 or not, he's partly here now, in 2022, head and antlers anyway.

He's now permanently staring out at me every day from a wall in my home in little old Hartford Village, Vermont.

And that make him the honest to goodness real Hartford Buck, doesn't it?

*Paul Keane is a Connecticut native, a Yale divinity School graduate and a retired Vermont teacher.*

## Starving mental health care system of staff, resources hurts Connecticut

By Darnell Ford

I have spent 24 years working at the Connecticut Department of Children and Families where we provide lifesaving services for children in crisis. These kids have been exposed to trauma, abuse and many other challenges that require a wide range of support to get them on a path toward healing — and very often, they need that help urgently.

I know an emergency when I see one — that's my job as a mental health care provider. But I'm also a councilman in Middletown so additionally, I am focused on the impact on our city when we don't invest in services and good jobs to care for our community.

From my perspective, our state and my city of Middletown are facing what amounts to a five-alarm fire that demands immediate action to protect our most vulnerable children and ensure health care providers can care for our own families.

For years Connecticut has starved our mental health system of staff and resources — in both the public and private nonprofit sectors. Unfortunately, that's not a new story but its consequences have gotten worse, especially during the pandemic when thousands of people in Connecticut have not received the care they need.

Even as more people have required mental health care, fewer have actually been able to get it because our state's psychiatric hospitals have closed or cut

admissions. I work at the Albert J. Solnit Children's Center, where we simply don't have the staff to care for young girls facing life-changing trauma. In just the past month, dozens of girls have been forced to wait in emergency room hallways, unable to get the urgent help they require because the state has grossly understaffed our state facilities.

It doesn't have to be this way, but our elected officials have let it happen by refusing to hire, recruit and retain people in these essential jobs. The truth is that we've been dangerously understaffed for years, trying to do more with less — and now the pandemic has pushed the state's health care services — and us — past the breaking point.

We have to face facts in Connecticut. Our state is in the midst of an unprecedented retirement wave where over 10,000 state workers might retire this year, which will shutter many essential state services. Gov. Ned Lamont and the legislature must meet the moment by refilling all vacancies and expanding services to save lives. If not, they risk cutting off Connecticut communities from services completely in some instances — particularly Black and brown communities. We can't provide health care without enough staff and as we've seen in Middletown, retirements could mean we have to shut the doors to our facilities.

But failing to fill these jobs doesn't just hurt the people who need health care. It doubly harms many of these Black

and brown communities that disproportionately provide this lifesaving care and benefit from these living wage jobs. Mental health care providers need good jobs so we can care for our own families. As a city councilman, I know that when people can buy groceries, pay their bills, cover their rent and have time with their families at the end of a long workday, that's good for everyone.

The state's health care includes nonprofits that provide many of these same critical services, so we can't turn a blind eye to these jobs. Though the people working there don't get their paycheck from the state — these are state services and the people who do that work deserve no less.

Most people working in mental health care don't see our work as just a job. It takes a special skill to hear what we hear and see what we see, and then understand how to provide the help that creates a pathway to healing. But we also need to be able to earn a living and provide for our families so we can enjoy life and recharge to do our best for the kids we care for. Our elected officials in Hartford need to listen to their dedicated workforce about the urgent need to fill these vacancies and invest in the jobs our communities need — and then they need to act.

*Darnell Ford is a health care provider at the Connecticut Department of Children and Families and serves on the city council of Middletown.*

### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

#### Editorial a typical Democratic take by Courant

I take a different tack on your editorial "Plan for car taxes a move toward equity" [Opinion, April 24]. I see it as a typical Democratic and Courant-backed plan to redistribute the wealth of the state. The only reason Hartford has a higher mill rate than East Hartford or Madison is because Hartford has driven out more of its businesses with its huge spending budgets for entitlements and services. It is necessary to raise the mill rate to continue the spending that the Hartford politicians desire. If the state reimburses municipalities for car tax revenue lost, will there be a requirement that it reduces budget spending, particularly in cities, at the same time? I doubt it.

A better plan would be for big cities and smaller municipalities to offer tax incentives to thriving companies to move to their location and increase the town or city tax base. That is a better way to reduce the car tax for everyone while growing the wealth of the cities or towns keeping property taxes down.

**Bob Roxbrough, Madison**

#### Courant repeatedly takes Republican side

Newspapers are supposed to be in the business of reporting news based on facts. Articles in the Courant have repeatedly expressed the Republican talking point that raises for state workers are inappropriate because the economy is poor. This is simply not true. The American economy has created more than six million jobs by virtue of the efforts of the Biden administration to reset our economy to benefit the average American, not just the wealthy. Unemployment is close to a 50-year low. The national deficit is dropping; this year we are set to reduce it by more than \$1 trillion. These are facts and can be checked, not opinions, theories or talking points.

To what end does the Courant propel a false narrative that benefits one party alone? Could there be a relationship between that and the fact that opinion pieces from the Heritage Foundation (an organization strongly linked to anti-democratic theories and candidates) are published numerous times a month by The Courant?

**Diane Tucker, West Hartford**

#### Courant prints what it knows to be false

The New York Times, via former Hartford Courant reporter Neil Vigdor, makes yet another improper report to the public. In a piece republished on Page 1 of the April 23 Courant ["McCarthy told GOP of Trump call"], Vigdor and the Times refer to the Jan. 6, 2021 march into the U.S. Capitol as a "deadly attack." The only death at the Capitol that day came from a police bullet to the neck of one marcher, unarmed Ashli Babbitt, who was climbing into public space. At all other times, the space she was attempting to enter is public space. No marchers countenanced physical mayhem; none plotted to rob, kidnap, vandalize or take hostages. At several Capitol entrances, Capitol Police peacefully let them into Capitol chambers.

To call the incident a "deadly attack" is irresponsible. "Stupid gathering," "ineffective protesting" or "misguided posturing" are phrases far closer to the truth than "deadly attack." The New York Times' editors know this, but like keeping up as much of an anti-Republican narrative as possible. The Courant should not be reprinting what it knows to be untruthful.

**Mark Stewart Greenstein, Farmington**

#### Still enjoying Prince Valiant after eight decades

As ridiculous as its storylines have become over the past eight decades, I always look for the Prince Valiant strip in the Sunday comics. During my childhood in the 1940s, Hal Foster's Prince Valiant books — on printed pages with hardbound covers and a dust jacket — were among the first books I ever owned.

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### Connecticut

#### LAND & WATER RESOURCES DIVISION Notice of Coastal Consistency Review State of Connecticut

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the enforceable policies of Connecticut's  
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through 22a-112 of the Connecticut General  
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19, 2022 a public sale of a 1968 Herli  
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Charles Fabian LeDuc shall be held at 23  
Shawnee Road, East Hartford, Connecticut  
on May 17, 2022 at 10 a.m. Any person,  
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PLAINTIFF BY: MICHAEL IACUROI, ITS  
ATTORNEY, 70 WALL STREET, MADISON, CT  
06443 203-245-2400 JURIS #419094  
4/27, 5/3, 5/10/2022 7200051

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#### LEGAL NOTICE GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL (ZONING AUTHORITY) NOTICE OF ACTION

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the  
Glastonbury Town Council (Zoning Authority)  
at a Public Hearing held on Tuesday, April  
26, 2022, approved the following, a copy of  
which is on file in the Office of the Town Clerk  
& the Office of Community Development:

"BE IT RESOLVED, that the Glastonbury Town  
Council hereby readopts amendment to the  
Building Zone Regulations Sections 4.17  
- Adaptive Redevelopment Zone and 4.12 -  
Planned Area Development, as described in  
a report by the Town Manager dated April 22,  
2022 and as recommended by the Town Plan  
and Zoning Commission, with said amend-  
ments effective May 20, 2022."

Dated at Glastonbury, CT this 2nd day of May,  
2022.

GLASTONBURY TOWN COUNCIL  
(Zoning Authority)  
By: Thomas P. Guillotta, Chairman  
5/3/2022 7204124

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OBITUARIES BY TOWN

**Avon**  
Arthur S. Hennig

**Bloomfield**  
Loran N. Spence, II

**Bristol**  
Arthur J. Boyea, Jr.  
Pauline Gustafson

**East Hartford**  
Adozinda C. Day

**Enfield**  
Georgian Dean

**Farmington**  
Arthur S. Hennig

**Glastonbury**  
Bruce R. Heselton  
Nyles Irving

**Granby**  
Joseph J. Waltman

**Hartford**  
Richard Krystanowicz  
Robert A. Lachapelle  
Elaine Neckermann  
Thomas R. Quinn

**New Britain**  
John Ludko

**Old Saybrook**  
Joan G. Cianfaglione

**Other Towns in CT**  
Joan G. Cianfaglione  
Adozinda C. Day  
Marie Donnelly  
Bruce R. Heselton  
Nyles Irving  
Joyce Korytko  
Walter R. Maxwell  
Margaret Owens  
Joseph A. Romboli

**Out of State**  
Eartha L. Keitt  
Margaret Owens

**Southington**  
Richard Krystanowicz  
Walter R. Maxwell

**West Hartford**  
Renee Neikrie  
Eileen M. Ragnoni

**Windsor**  
William A. Bean, Jr.  
Loran N. Spence, II

**Windsor Locks**  
William A. Bean, Jr.

\* Denotes name listing only.  
Please note: not all death notices are in alphabetical order.

OBITUARIES

Donnelly, Marie



Marie (DeFreitas) Donnelly, age 78, of Niantic, passed away April 27, 2022, in her home after a battle with cancer.

She was born and raised in Providence, Rhode Island on 05/27/1943 to Antonio DeFreitas and Clara (Mathais) DeFreitas. She graduated from Hope High School as a member of the National Honor Society, and Senior class President. She was married to Robert Donnelly for 56 years. She moved to Connecticut, living in Shelton, Madison for many years, and finally Niantic. She attended RI Hospital School of Pathology to become a lab technician, and after a long career retired from the Connecticut Oncology group in 2007. She was always passionate and involved with her family, and took great pleasure in attending and volunteering at all of her children's and later grandchildren's many concerts, sporting events, and other activities. She loved to cook and bake, and was seldom found without a book or listening to music. In later years Marie and Bob enjoyed their time traveling Europe, visiting family all across the country, and enjoying the Niantic bay walking along the boardwalk.

Marie is survived by her three sons Brian, Keric and husband Paul Stevens, Joel and wife Jennifer; daughters in law Lucille Conti and Colette Downey; grandchildren Kayleigh, Erica, Liam, and Brielle; sisters Loraine Creamer, Bernice Turbitt, and Clara Mancini; along with many nieces and nephews.

She was predeceased by husband Robert Donnelly; son Robert Donnelly Jr.; and sisters Genevieve Williams and Barbara Callanan.

Please join us celebrating her life on May 4th 2022 at 1:00 p.m. at Thomas L. Neilan & Sons East Lyme Funeral Home. 48 Grand Street, Niantic, CT. The service will be live streamed, and a link will be posted on Marie's memorial page at [www.neilanfuneralhome.com](http://www.neilanfuneralhome.com). A reception will follow with details provided later.

Her sons would like to thank the many family and friends who provided care and support to Marie over the last many months of her illness. In Lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Care and Share of East Lyme Inc. <http://www.careandshareofel.org/> or Pancreatic Cancer Action Network <https://www.pancan.org/>

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Heselton, Bruce R.



Bruce Heselton, 78, of Douglas Manor, passed away on April 29, 2022. He was born in Hanover New Hampshire, lived in VT, Glastonbury, CT, New Britain, CT and North Windham, CT. Bruce graduated from Glastonbury High School in 1961. Bruce worked as a Computer Operator at Chandler Evans for 25 years. Bruce is survived by his 3 children; Mike Heselton and wife Ela Heselton of Glastonbury, Anne Heselton of East Hampton and Robin Heselton and wife Terri Loomis, of Lebanon. He has 2 brothers, Barry Heselton and wife Jan of Manchester, Brian Heselton and wife, Julie, of Virginia. He is survived by grandchildren, Cody, Dylan, Taylor, Suzanne and Stephanie and a great grandson, Benjamin. Bruce was an avid lover of animals, nature, movies and music. He was always there for his family members! Friends may call at the Mulryan Funeral Home, 725 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury on Thursday May 5 from 4-6pm. The funeral procession will leave the funeral home Friday morning at 10am for a graveside service in St. Augustine's Cemetery, 136 Hopewell Rd., South Glastonbury at 10:30am. For online condolences please visit [www.mulryanfh.com](http://www.mulryanfh.com).

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Krystanowicz, Richard



Richard S. Krystanowicz, 57, of Southington, passed away peacefully on Sunday, May 1, 2022 at Hartford Hospital. He was born on March 30, 1965 in Hartford to Walter and Wladyslawa (Szmid) Krystanowicz and had been a longtime Southington resident. Rich retired from New England Air Foil where he worked as the Health and Safety Facility Manager for 35 years. He enjoyed camping, gardening, grilling, playing golf and spending time with friends and family. He loved sports and was a fan of the Cowboys, Red Sox and the Sixers. In addition to his parents, Rich is survived by his loving wife of 14 years, Davida (Lewis) Krystanowicz, his daughter Katrina Krystanowicz of S. Carolina, his brother Marc Krystanowicz and wife Dawn, one nephew Kyle Krystanowicz, all of Bristol and his godmother, Christine Fishman of Glastonbury. In lieu of flowers, donations in Rich's memory may be made to the Connecticut Humane Society, 701 Russell Rd, Newington, CT 06111 (<https://cthumane.org/>). A Mass of Christian Burial will be held at 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, May 7, 2022 at the Immaculate Conception Church, 130 Summer St, Southington. Please meet directly at church. Burial will follow in South End Cemetery, Southington. Calling hours will be held from 4 - 7 p.m. on Friday, May 6, 2022 at the Plantsville Funeral Home, 975 S. Main St, Plantsville. For online condolences and directions, please visit [www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com](http://www.plantsvillefuneralhome.com).

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Bean, Jr., William A.

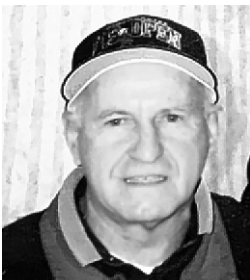


William A. Bean, Jr. 86, of Windsor, beloved husband of Joanna (Privitera) Bean, passed away peacefully Saturday, April 30, 2022, at home surrounded by his loved ones. Born in Cranston, RI, February 9, 1936, to the late William and Helen (Bryant) Bean, Sr., he was a lifelong Windsor resident. William started as a lithographer at Mercury Offset and continued in printmaking and graphics services. He also proudly served as a Professional Assistant with the Carmon Funeral Homes for many years. In his spare time, William loved golfing, bowling, and spending time with his friends and family. He was a member and Past President of the Men's Club at Millbrook Golf Club, Past President and member of the Windsor Jaycees, and Past President of the Windsor Kiwanis Club where he donated time to the Windsor Seniors. In addition to his beloved wife of 66 years, Joanna, William is survived by seven children, his son Patrick Bean of Windsor, his son John Bean and his wife Angella of New Port Richey, FL, his daughter Bernadette Dennison and her late husband Richard of Amston, his son Mark Bean and his wife Karen of Wethersfield, his son Jim Bean and his wife Beth of North Granby, his daughter Beth LaPane and her husband Kevin of Windsor Locks, and daughter Cathy Alexander of Cromwell; and nine cherished grandchildren Kristina Lancour, Ashley LaPane, Jason Bean, Emily Alexander, Olivia LaPane, Andrew Bean, Nathan Alexander, Jacob Alexander, and Alexis Bean; two step granddaughters Jennifer Dennison and Abby Lang; two step great grandsons Jack and Will Dennison; his sisters Martha Easton and her husband Cliff and Diane Dunlap and her husband Donald all of NH; many nieces, nephews, extended family and many friends. Besides his parents and son-in-law he was predeceased by his brother Robert Bean. His family would like to thank the staff of the Smilow Cancer Center at St. Francis Hospital and the Hartford Healthcare Hospice for their exceptional care. His family will receive friends Thursday, May 5, 2022, from 4-7 pm at the Carmon Windsor Funeral Home, 807 Bloomfield Ave., Windsor. A Mass of Christian Burial will be Friday, May 6, 2022, 10 am directly at Saint Damien of Molokai Parish, St. Gabriel Church, 379 Broad Street, Windsor. Burial will follow in Riverside Cemetery, Windsor. Contributions may be made to St. Jude Children's Research Center, 501 St. Jude Place, Memphis, TN 38105. For directions or condolences please visit [www.carmonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carmonfuneralhome.com)

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Lachapelle, Robert Arthur



Robert Arthur Lachapelle entered eternal life on April 26, 2022 having lived a good life of eighty-eight years. He is survived by his loving sister, Lorraine Krupski, and his brother Fr. Hector. His brothers Philip, Ted, and Alcide preceded him. We expect that he didn't want to go through another baseball season with his beloved Boston Red Sox. While he is with the Lord we know he will be rooting and interceding for the UConn women's basketball team, and will have plenty of time to watch golf, which he also enjoyed playing. Robert was close to his many nieces and nephews, and loved to spend time with them. He worked in the Advertising Dept. at the Hartford Courant in five decades, retiring in 1991, and incredibly never took a sick day at work. He served honorably in the U.S. Army and Reserves from 1955 to 1958, enjoying his time while stationed in Europe. He was a longtime member of the Knights of Columbus and St. Catherine's Church, 6 Windsorville Rd., Broad Brook, where there will be a Mass of the Resurrection on Tuesday May 3rd at 10:00 AM. Fr. Hector Lachapelle, M.S., will be the principle celebrant. Burial will follow at St. Catherine's Cemetery in Broad Brook. Robert will be missed by his many family members and friends. "Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him" and may he rest in peace. In lieu of flowers, please donate to your favorite charity.

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Neikrie, Renee (Gordon)

On Saturday, April 30, 2022, we lost a great mother, grandmother, sister, friend, and mensch. Renee Gordon Neikrie died peacefully in her sleep after a long battle with dementia. Renee (pronounced Re- nee) worked for her family's local grocery store in Springfield, MA before moving attending a local college in Springfield and then the University of Massachusetts, where she majored in nutritional sciences. She accepted a position at the Hebrew Home for the Aged in West Hartford, where she remained more than 30 years, eventually running the kitchen and menu. In 1954, she married Max Joseph Neikrie, and they had two boys, Leonard and Mark. Her husband died tragically young, at age 57. A true independent woman, however, she dedicated the rest of her life to family, friends, and service. She supported and volunteered at events statewide for the Special Olympics. She was a "spy" for the Israeli army, spending many weeks a year testing radios and packing back packs for soldiers. She worked for 13 years in a classroom in a magnet school where she was beloved by students from diverse communities around Hartford. She devotedly served breakfast to the "Minioneers," at the Emanuel Synagogue in West Harford, arriving at 6:30 (after walking 3-6 miles around the Reservoir on Route 44). A tiny woman, barely 5 feet tall, Renee volunteered at a farm, leading the horses for pony rides for children with disabilities. She was a member of the auxiliary board at the Hebrew home and on the board for Jewish family services. She traveled extensively – to Israel, South Africa, Brazil, Canada, the U.S. national parks, and throughout Europe. She loved musicals, the opera, and Tanglewood. An avid skier, she hung up her skis at the age of 83. A devoted friend, she regularly hosted dinners for her friends and family, some of whom were friends for more than 80 years! She lived an enviable life full of good deeds and happiness despite tragic losses that would have derailed a lesser person. She is survived by her son, Mark Neikrie, of Glastonbury, his wife, Nancy, and their two children, Jesse and Jamie. Her other son, Leonard, predeceased her, but is survived by her grandson, Jeffrey Neikrie on New York City. In lieu of flowers, please send donations to the Special Olympic of Connecticut, Jewish Family Services, or any charity of the reader's choice. May we all aspire to live as she did, a life of optimism, passion, love, family, friends, and deep commitment to others and humanity. The funeral will be held at the Emanuel Cemetery, 1361 Berlin Turnpike, Wethersfield, CT at 1 pm on Tuesday, May 3, followed by a gathering at the Emanuel Synagogue, 160 Mohegan Drive, West Hartford, CT.

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Cianfaglione, Joan Guzzo



Joan Guzzo Cianfaglione, 88, of Chalker Beach Rd., died Friday, April 29, 2022 in Gladeview Healthcare. Mrs. Cianfaglione is survived by her daughter-in-law and loyal advocate Cheryl Ceragioli Cianfaglione, her treasured grandsons Michael, Jason and Nicholas, her brother Joe Guzzo and wife Kay, and many cherished nieces and nephews. She is predeceased by her husband Richard Cianfaglione Sr, her son Richard Cianfaglione Jr, her sister Patricia Guzzo and brother Carl Guzzo. Joan graduated from Hartford Public High School and spent most working years at Cloutier and Cassella, LLC as a legal secretary. Joan was a lifelong Chalker Beach resident who always had a hot pizza and Sunday lunch ready for all. A procession will assemble at a calling hour from 9:30am until 10:30am on Thursday, May 5, 2022 in Swan Funeral Home, 1224 Boston Post Rd., Old Saybrook, CT for a Mass of Christian Burial at 11:00am in St John Church, 161 Main St., Old Saybrook, CT. Interment will follow in Resurrection Cemetery, Westbrook. Please visit [www.swanfuneralhomeoldsaybrook.com](http://www.swanfuneralhomeoldsaybrook.com) for photos, tributes and directions.

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Ludko, John (Coach)



John 'Coach' Ludko, Jr., 82, of New Britain passed away on April 29, 2022. He was born in New Britain to his late parents John Ludko Sr. and Eleanor Ludko. John was a lifelong resident of New Britain where he attended New Britain High School. He was a member of the NBHS football team that played in the Orange Bowl in 1955 and then went on to win back to back state titles ('55-'56). John served in the United States Marine Corps and was stationed in Camp Lejeune, NC where he was a weapons instructor on the rifle range and was dubbed the nickname 'Hollywood'. After completing his service with the Marines, John attended Springfield College where he earned his bachelor's degree cum laude in physical education. After graduation in 1964, John began his teaching career in the Newington school district where he spent his entire career (7 years at Northwest Elementary, 10 years at JWMS and 18 years at NHS). John combined his skills as a teacher with his passion for football and began coaching for Newington High School as an assistant in 1964 and moved up to head coach from 1981-1999. During his coaching career, John led his teams to 7 conference titles and 3 years as state runners up. During this time, he was honored as Coach of the Year 3 times and he will always be remembered for pacing the sidelines in shorts, no matter what the weather. When John retired in 1999 he loved spending time by the shore clamming with his friends, taking long walks on the beach at first light (where he always brought back some new treasure), and enjoying the summers with family at his cottage in Westerly, RI. John was predeceased by his wife Paula Ludko of New Britain, his sister Barbara Raymond of West Hartford, his sister-in-law Teresa Lussier and her husband Leo of Norwich, his sister-in-law Maureen Ludko of Berlin, his brother-in-law Americo 'Rick' Cavallo of New Britain and his nephew Brian Beckius. John is survived by his two sons: John Ludko III (Louise) of Wolcott and Craig Ludko (Julie) of Simsbury and grandchildren Alexander, Sarah, Madelyn, Luke, and Alexis. He is also survived by his long-time companion, Patricia Zepperi of New Britain, his brother George Ludko of Berlin, his sister Deborah Jipping of Mason, OH, and many nieces and nephews. In lieu of flowers please consider making a donation to your local VA, one of John's favorite charities. A period of visitation will be held on Friday at New Britain Memorial & Donald D. Sagarino Funeral Home, 444 Farmington Ave, New Britain from 4PM to 7PM. A mass of Christian burial will be held the following day at 9:30AM at St. Francis of Assisi Church in New. Interment services will be private. For an online memorial, please visit [www.NewBritainSagarino.com](http://www.NewBritainSagarino.com).

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Neckermann, Elaine



Elaine Neckermann nee Kelly, age 74 passed away peacefully in her sleep on Saturday, April 23, 2022, in Atlanta, Georgia from complications related to Alzheimer's Disease.

Mary Elaine Kelly was born to Francis and Elizabeth (Cummings) Kelly on August 12th, 1947 in Hartford

Connecticut. Raised in East Hartford, she graduated in 1965 from East Hartford High School where she made lifelong friends. She loved to dance, and in her sophomore year was kicked out of a high school dance for doing the "mashed potato," a story she and her friends loved to tell. While Alzheimer's Disease takes many things, it never took away Elaine's love to dance.

In 1968, Elaine married Bill Neckermann whom she met at US Plywood where they both worked. They had a wonderful life together until Bill's passing in 2008. They lived in Connecticut and New Jersey where their girls Amy and Katie were born and the family moved to Medina, Ohio in 1979. In Medina, Elaine built a network of friendships. She loved to be social, host dinner parties, and be in the middle of a fun time. A glass of wine in the afternoon on her front porch with Bill and her friends was her favorite part of the day. Traveling and visiting her daughters and grandchildren in San Diego and Atlanta were favorites when not in Medina. Elaine lived in Medina until 2017 then moved to Atlanta, Georgia due to declining health.

Elaine is preceded in death by her parents Francis and Elizabeth Kelly, her sister Sharon Hollis, and her beloved husband Bill Neckermann. She is survived by her siblings Pam (Scott) Bres and Bill (Kim) Kelly of Medina, Ohio, her daughters Amy Neckermann of Oceanside, California, and Katie (Eric) Goldberg of Atlanta, Georgia, her granddaughters Lily and Sasha Molenaar, and Lucy and Samantha Goldberg, and many nieces and nephews.

Special thanks to all of the caretakers who helped Elaine on her journey.

A celebration of life will be scheduled for Elaine at a later date in Medina, Ohio. Memorials may be directed to the Alzheimer's Association in memory of Elaine Neckermann.

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Ragnoni, Eileen Marie (Sheehy)



Eileen Marie (Sheehy) Ragnoni, 90, beloved wife for 66 years and true love of Daniel Ragnoni, passed away peacefully surrounded by her family, on Friday April 29, 2022. Her legacy is love.

Eileen had a love of life, a deep faith, and a spirit of gratitude that lifted up family and friends throughout her lifetime. So many called her a dear friend and her greatest joy was when she was helping others and doing good deeds. She was affectionately known to many as the "Hen", short for "Mother Hen", since she lovingly cared for so many family and friends who saw her as a remarkable source of loving support, servant leadership, and life wisdom.

Eileen was born in Hartford, CT on December 7, 1931, and was the daughter of the late John and Catherine Sheehy. She had a wonderful childhood growing up in the Parkville section of Hartford, and attending Our Lady of Sorrows School and Hartford Public High School. She was an early trailblazer for women having a newspaper route, playing sports, teaching ballroom dancing, and later becoming a sales manager at Southern New England Telephone Company. She spent 25 years of her professional career at Acme Auto holding many rewarding leadership roles where she helped grow the organization. She was beloved by customers and co-workers alike and made many lifetime friendships. She also was instrumental in Acme's successful long-term fundraising for the Jimmy Fund and Dana-Farber Cancer Institute through the Acme Merit-thon road race.

Eileen was a "doer" and was always active in helping her community. She was on the board at the Intensive Education Academy supporting Sister Helen Dowd's groundbreaking work with special needs students. She was also president of the St. Brigid Home School Association with her husband, Dan, and very involved with the St. Brigid Ladies Guild, Cub Scouts, Girl Scouts and many other activities to support her children and grandchildren.

Eileen was intensely proud of her Irish roots enjoying the music, dance and celebrations tied to her heritage throughout her life (St. Patrick's Day served as her unofficial second birthday). Eileen and Dan were true best friends and always "on the go", and most loved to travel and spend time at the beach with family and friends. From Sound View, to Misquamicut, to Ogunquit, to Aruba and beyond, they lived life to the fullest and their retirement years were truly golden. Between travel, visits with friends, attending countless UConn games including trips to the Final Four, and attending their grandchildren's school and sporting events you would rarely see their car parked in their driveway.

Eileen was blessed with many treasured friends over the years, especially, "The Knitters," a group of awe-inspiring women who, for nearly seven decades, have met every Wednesday for food, drink and many laughs. These formidable ladies journeyed through life together, celebrating the good times and easing the difficult ones. In recent years, Eileen made sure that the group continued to meet using the Fernwood as their home base.

In addition to her husband, Dan, Eileen leaves behind her three children; Daniel Ragnoni of West Hartford, Mary Kate Eanniello and her husband Victor of West Hartford, and John Ragnoni and his wife, Elizabeth of Needham, MA. In addition, she leaves six eternally grateful grandchildren; Victor, Maximilian, and Molly Eanniello; and Jack, Michael and TJ Ragnoni. She also leaves many beloved nieces and nephews. Eileen is pre-deceased by her sister, Lillian Hussey, her brother, John Sheehy, and her daughter-in-law Victoria (Zaremba) Ragnoni.

Our family would like to acknowledge the loving commitment of Anna Sheehy, nurse, dear friend, and sister-in-law who sat lovingly by Eileen's side during her last days easing her suffering. We would also like to sincerely thank Dr. Patrick McDermott and Dr. Jordan Kunkes, and the wonderful and compassionate hospice care team from Hartford Healthcare at Home.

Services will be Friday, May 6th. There will be a visitation hour from 8:30 AM to 9:30 AM at Sheehan-Hilborn-Breen Funeral Home, 1084 New Britain Ave., West Hartford. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated at St. Patrick - St. Anthony Church, 285 Church Street, Hartford, CT at 10:00 AM. Burial will be at Fairview Cemetery, West Hartford and a reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, memorial donations may be made to the Pediatric Brain Tumor Foundation, 6065 Roswell Road NE, Suite 505, Atlanta, GA 30328. Online condolences may be made at www.SheehanHilbornBreen.com.

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Romboli, Joseph A.



Joseph A. Romboli, 96, of Durham, husband of the late, Eleanor "Ellie" (Auger) Romboli, died Sunday May 1, 2022 at Middlesex Hospital. He was born in Middletown, son

of the late Celestino and L. Mabel (Garbarino) Romboli. Joe was a veteran serving with the US Army during World War II. He was employed with Arrigoni Construction and later opened his own company R&W Construction. Joe was a member of the VFW and a lifetime member of the BPO Elks. He was also a lifetime parishioner of Notre Dame Church. He is survived by many nieces, nephews, cousins and close friends. He was predeceased by his wife Ellie and his brother-in-law and sisters-in-law. His Funeral Liturgy will be held on Friday (May 6th) at 10 a.m. at Notre Dame Church, Main Street, Durham. Burial, with military honors, will follow at Mica Hill Cemetery, Durham. There are no calling hours. Those who wish may send memorial contributions to Notre Dame Church, 272 Main Street, Durham, CT 06422. To share memories or express condolences online please visit [www.biegafuneral-home.com](http://www.biegafuneral-home.com).

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Hennig, Arthur S.



Arthur "Art" Stephen Hennig, a longtime Avon resident, beloved husband of Patricia Ann (Ward) Hennig passed away at home with family on Friday April 29, 2022. Born in Bronx, NY on January 2, 1929, the son of the late Otto Thomas and Lillian (Smith) Hennig.

He was raised in Queens, NY and is an alumnus of Forest Hills High School and SUNY Farmingdale. He served his country in the Army National Guard for nine years. Art had a long and successful career, in several leadership positions, at Otis Elevator, retiring in 1995 after 46 years of service.

He co-founded the Avon Soccer Club, with his wife, Pat, in 1978 and has served as President since its inception. This was a true grassroots endeavor; Art started by mowing the grass, lining the fields, building the goals and taking care of anything else that needed to be done. He tirelessly devoted his life to youth soccer in Avon. He coached numerous teams to State Cup Championships providing a platform for players to develop a love for the game and an opportunity to play at some of the highest levels. Avon Soccer Club has allowed thousands of children the opportunity to reach their full potential both on and off the field. Art was inducted into the Avon Soccer Hall of Fame and the Connecticut Soccer Hall of Fame as well as being recognized as a special contributor to the University of Hartford Athletic Department. In addition, he was Connecticut Junior Soccer Association's (CJSA) Coach of the Year and received numerous other State and Regional recognitions. At this year's Avon Memorial Day Soccer Tournament a new scoreboard will be dedicated in his honor at Avon Fisher Meadow soccer facility (where Avon soccer got its start) for his never ending dedication to Avon soccer and the community. In 2006 he was named co-Avon Citizen of the Year, along with his wife, Pat. He was a longtime parishioner at the Church of St. Ann and member of the Golf Club of Avon. Art was also an avid New York Mets Fan (which is not always easy), attending spring training, enjoying games at Shea Stadium/Citi Field and when he couldn't be there in person he was sure to have the game on. You can rest assured that he'll be rooting and cheering them on hoping they continue this season's initial success.

Art's greatest joy was his family. He enjoyed coaching and watching his sons play soccer. In addition, he would be seen at all of his grandchildren's sporting events and other activities. He was beyond proud of all their accomplishments. In any downtime, you could find him at Fisher Meadow supporting any and all Avon teams.

Art was a very special person with a big heart; his compassion, selflessness, dedication, and friendship was unmatched. His personality and smile were infectious. He touched the lives of so many and had a way with people to make them feel special and he has taught so many life lessons he didn't even realize. He had a way of connecting with people like no other; he lived life fully and with purpose. Art will be missed dearly; his legacy will live on with all that he has touched.

He is survived by his wife of 58 years, Patricia Ann Hennig, his sons; Arthur S. Hennig III and his wife, Julie and their daughter's, Taylor and Sarah, of Farmington, CT, William W. Hennig and his wife, Samantha and their two sets of twins, Ella & Lauren and Billy & Colin, of Summit, NJ.

Leaving behind cherished family members including Mickey Sexton, Keith Laidman and Donna Masi, with whom he had a special bond; and Art will now be reuniting with his nieces, Eileen Martin and Nicole Sprague.

Art's family will receive friends on Thursday May 5, 2022, from 4-7 PM at the Carmon Funeral Home & Family Center, 301 Country Club Road, Avon, CT 06001. A Liturgy of Christian Burial will take place on Friday May 6, 2022, at 10AM at the Church of St. Ann, 289 Arch Road, Avon. Burial will follow in St. Ann's Cemetery. In lieu of flowers donations in Art's memory may be made to The Hole in the Wall Gang Camp ([holeinthewallgang.org](http://holeinthewallgang.org)), 565 Ashford Center Road, Ashford, CT 06278. For condolences, please visit [www.carmonfuneralhome.com](http://www.carmonfuneralhome.com).

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Day, Adozinda C.(Monteiro)



Adozinda C. (Monteiro) Day, 62, of East Hartford, beloved wife of Richard E. Day, died Saturday April 30, 2022 at home surrounded by her family. Born May 29, 1959 in Portugal, daughter of the late Abilio and Laurinda (Moraes) Monteiro, she had lived in East Hartford for the past 30 years. She loved gardening, cooking and traveling. Besides her

husband she is survived by her daughter Kaytlyn Day of East Hartford, a son and a daughter-in-law Brett R. and Magdalena Day of Southbury, a grandson Simon Day and a sister and brother. She was predeceased by 2 brothers. The family would like to thank the doctors and nurses of Hartford Health Care at Hartford Hospital for their care and compassion. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Thursday May 5 at 11am in St. Edmund Campion Parish at Our Lady of Peace Church, 370 May Rd., East Hartford. Burial will follow in Holy Cross Cemetery, Glastonbury. Friends may call at the Mulryan Funeral Home, 725 Hebron Ave., Glastonbury on Thursday morning from 9:00am to 10:30am. In lieu of flowers memorial donations may be made to Helen and Harry Gray Cancer Center Fund, Hartford Hospital, c/o Fund Development Office, 80 Seymour St., P.O. Box 5037, Hartford, CT. 06102-5037. For online condolences please visit [www.mulryanfh.com](http://www.mulryanfh.com).

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Owens , Margaret



It is with great sadness that we say good-bye to Margaret Mary Theresa Owens White. Marg passed away peacefully on April 30, 2022, after a long illness, at Ocean Meadow Memory Care in Clinton CT. Marg was a gentle, kind and loving wife to her husband, Kent, for 63 wonderful years. They met at a Christmas party in 1957 in England. A

popular song of the 50's "Special Angel" was playing on the record player and Kent forever called her "My Special Angel". Marg was born in Widnes, England to Benjamin and Alice Owens in January 1938. She graduated from Broughton Hall High School in Liverpool and was employed by The British National Services In Administration. She worked at Burtonwood RAF Station in Warrington England, where she met her husband Kent, who was stationed there with the US Air Force. They were married on December 13, 1958, at St. Bede's Roman Catholic Church in Widnes. They were transferred to Mildon Hall RAF Station in 1958, where their first son Michael was born in September 1959. Upon discharge from the USAF, Marg and Kent settled in Bangor, Maine USA. Their daughter Cathy was born soon after. Sons Gerry and David followed, and the family lived in Bangor until 1972. Kent was employed by NCR Corporation as a Branch Manager and when he was promoted to District Manager the family moved to Portland. Their fifth child, Gregory was born in Portland in 1979. Marg and Kent moved to Essex CT in 2014. They are communicants of St. John's Roman Catholic Church in Old Saybrook CT.

Marg was always very active in her children's schools, her church and her family. At St. Patrick's parish, she was President of the Women's Council, Parish council member, a Eucharistic Minister and head of a very large bi-annual rummage sale. Marg also co-founded St. Pat's Receptions for families of deceased parishioners providing refreshments in the Church hall after funerals. For 40 years, she counted the weekly church collection. Marg also volunteered at the soup kitchen in Portland for many years. Marg volunteered for decades at St. Pat's School and Cheverus and McAuley High Schools. Marg was also employed for many years as office manager of A Special Place in Portland. She helped women after cancer treatments be fitted for Breast Prosthesis, Mastectomy Bras and Wigs. She was always kind and sensitive to her customers.

Marg was also a great dancer and was always singing or whistling. She loved meeting new people everywhere she went. Everyone felt they were Marg's best friend. She was a great cook and homemaker and hosted all the family gatherings for over 63 years. She and Kent loved to travel, play cards, laugh and spend time with their family and friends. Marg was active in many Right To Life gatherings and marches. Marg simply loved people and would help anyone in need. When anyone needed a ride or help, they called Marg and she was there with her smile and soft English accent. To know her was to love her. She was the life of the party with her rendition of "Knees Up Mother Brown"!

Marg was predeceased by her Beloved Nana Mary Ellen Fazackerly, her Mum Alice Owens and her Dad Benjamin Owens, all of England. She is survived by her loving husband Kent of Essex CT. She also leaves her five children, Michael and wife Ann of Stuart FL, Cathy and Life Partner John of Old Saybrook CT, Gerald and wife Barbara of Haverhill MA, David and wife Melissa of Middleboro, MA and Gregory of Erlanger KY. Marg is also survived by her sister Barbara Murray and husband Larry of York England and her brother Derek Owens of Hull England.

Marg loved her grandchildren and great grandchildren and was proud of all of them. She is survived by eight grandchildren, Megan and husband Justin, Christopher and wife Ashley, William and fiancé Augusta, Caitlin, Bailey, Ruthie and husband Ed, Maxwell and Leo. She is also survived by three great grandchildren, Alice Grace, Eleanor Margaret and Julian Kether. Another great granddaughter is arriving in October. Marg also leaves many nieces and nephews in England and the US. Marg loved her friends and leaves lifelong pals Pat Cast, Mary McCarthy, Pat Campbell, Ann Doyle, Kath and Julie Burke, her special Dirigo Street gang and many other beloved friends in Portland Maine, England and Essex, Connecticut. Everyone enjoyed being with Marg.

Because our Mum was such a kind person to friends and strangers, we ask that you take a special moment to honor her by simply being kind to someone in need. A kind smile or simple words to make someone's day a little brighter. As she would always do.

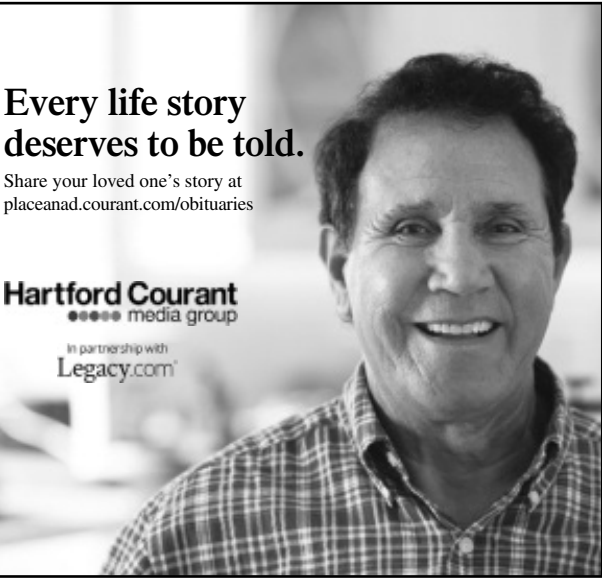
Visitation will be held on Thursday, May 5, 2022 from 5:00PM to 7:00PM at the Robinson, Wright & Weymer Funeral Home in Centerbrook. A Mass of Christian Burial will be celebrated on Friday, May 6, 2022 at 11:00AM at Saint Pius X Church, 492 Ocean Avenue in Portland, Maine. Burial will follow in Calvary Cemetery in South Portland Maine. Memorial contributions may be made in Marg's name to Saint Vincent de Paul Soup Kitchen in Portland, Maine. To share a memory of Marg or send a condolence to her family please visit [www.rwwfh.com](http://www.rwwfh.com)

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Gustafson, Pauline

Pauline Gustafson, 77, of Bristol, passed away suddenly on April 24, 2022 at Bristol Hospital. Pauline was born in New Britain on July 28, 1944 and was the daughter of the late Paul and Mildred (Caron) Gary. She resided in Bristol for most of her life and retired from Grove Clinic Medical Center as a medical secretary. Pauline was a hard working mother who raised her two children with the morals and ethics that would carry them through their life. Pauline is survived by her two children; Rebecca Weyrauch of Halfmoon, NY and Gabriel Gustafson and his wife Kli of Manchester. She also leaves behind her grandchildren; Jacob, Andrew and Daniel. Pauline was pre-deceased by her step-father Cosmo Maddalena. A Mass of Christian Burial for Pauline will be held on Thursday, May 4, 2022 at 10:00 AM in St. Dominic's Church, 1050 Flanders Rd. Southington, CT 06489. Burial will follow in St. Thomas Cemetery. There will be no calling hours. The DellaVecchia Funeral Home, 211 N. Main St. Southington, CT 06489 is handling the arrangements. For directions or to leave an online condolence, please visit [www.dellavecchia.com](http://www.dellavecchia.com).  
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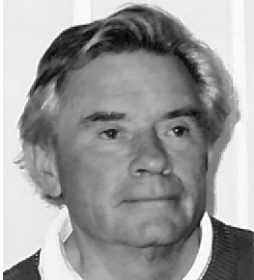
Keitt, Eartha L.



age 83, of Sicklerville, NJ, formerly of Hartford, CT, departed this life on Friday, April 22, 2022.

Memorial services will be held 5pm Thursday, May 5, 2022, in the COVINGTON FUNERAL HOME, 755 White Horse Pike, Atco, NJ. Inurnment services will be held 11am Friday, May 6, 2022, in Ewing Cemetery, 78 Scotch Road, Ewing Twp., NJ. Online condolences may be left for the family at [www.covingtonfh.com](http://www.covingtonfh.com).  
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Quinn, Thomas Roy



It is with great love and wonderful memories that we say goodbye to Thomas Roy Quinn who died at home on Friday, April 15, 2022, in Centerville, MA, at the age of 85. Thomas (Tom) born September 23, 1936 in Hartford, CT was the son of John Quinn and Athela Bourette Quinn.

Tom grew up in Hartford, CT where he graduated from Bulkeley High School. After serving in the US Army, he attended Hartford Art School and went on to have a successful career as a graphic designer and colorist. Tom and Caroline A. Desley married in 1958. They moved to East Lyme, CT after starting a family and later settled on Cape Cod, MA. Tom was known for his many creative talents and skilled craftsmanship. He never turned down a coffee or a good story, and enjoyed spending time with family and old friends. Tom loved to travel, but was also content at home listening to the Red Sox game while busy with a project. He could often be heard whistling or singing, paint brush or hammer in hand.

Tom's grandchildren have fond memories of walking with "Pa" to the Old Country Store in Centerville for penny candy. They treasure the many wooden toys, dollhouses, and special furniture he made for them.

He was loved by all, including his brother and sister, four children, nine grandchildren, and seven great grandchildren. He is predeceased by his loving wife Caroline A. (Desley) Quinn, sister Janice Riccitelli, and grandson Thomas P. Quinn Jr.

Tom is survived by his brother John F. Quinn, son Thomas P. Quinn and wife Danute, daughter Colleen P. Quinn, daughter Dorene M. Hunt and husband Kevin, and daughter Karen E. Quinn and partner Matthew Pisano.

Tom will be forever loved and missed by his grandchildren and great grandchildren: Katie (Quinn) Facendola and husband Adrian and daughters Emma and Grace; Caroline Hunt and partner Shelby Cooper; Elizabeth Buchanan and husband Dillon and daughters Emilie, Olivia, and Isobel; Henry Hunt and wife Anna and son Charlie and daughter Lennon; Linnea Rose; Joseph Hunt and wife Leah; Chase Quinn; and Anna Hunt.

Tom leaves his family and many others with fond memories and a kind Irish smile. Services will be private. Memorial donations can be made to Smile Train, P. O. Box 96231, Washington, DC 20090-6231. <https://www.smiletrain.org/>

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INGRID ILSE MAUER CLEE

We will always honor you on this day. You left us with unforgettable memories of a wonderful mother, wife, grandmother, loyal compassionate friend. You bravely fought a long health issue without complaint saying it is what it is. We carry on here and remember the wonderful life you gave to us. Tchuss.

In Loving Memory Of  
GERARDO NARDI, SR.  
October 31, 1935 - May 3, 1999

Your truck is still in the driveway, as if you never left. The tears will never dry in our eyes. We keep on smiling for the memories we made, even though our hearts were broken on a Monday in May. God needed you for something bigger, than being by our side. We'll always remember that painful goodbye.

Love, Your Wife, Children & Grandchildren

In Loving Memory Of  
ANGELA MARIA SANDERS



July 17, 1913 - May 3, 2002

Fly me up to where you are beyond the distant star. I wish upon tonight to see you smile. If only for awhile, to know you're there. A breath away's not far to where you are. Dearest Mother- still the bravest woman I know, and, still, on this your 20th anniversary, I miss you every hour of every day.

-Pamela

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









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## Open Choice seats again exceed supply

Greater Hartford towns participation expected to rise nearly 11% in 2022-23 school year

By Seamus McAvoy  
Hartford Courant

Greater Hartford's Open Choice school lottery program is expected to grow by nearly 11% in the 2022-23 school year as swelling demand continues to exceed the supply of seats, state numbers show.

According to state data, 2,297 Hartford students had applied to the Open Choice lottery my mid-April — around the same time as new students begin to be placed in a Choice school. The tally reflects an increase in demand for the program over last year, when there were 1,843 applicants.

Despite high demand for the program, aimed at addressing racial segregation by allowing Hartford students to attend a

better-performing school in the suburbs, only 499 new Open Choice seats will be available to Hartford students next school year. The projected total Hartford resident Open Choice enrollment is 2,497, up from 2,251 this year.

The Sheff v. O'Neill settlement agreement, which was finalized in March, requires that the state meet 100% of the demand for Choice seats among Hartford students over the next 10 years. Martha Stone, attorney in the Sheff case and executive director of the Center for Children's Advocacy, said "we're still pretty far apart."

"I would say we still have a long way to go, because you still have huge numbers of kids wanting to go to the suburban districts," Stone said.

The gap between Open Choice applicants and available seats doesn't mean most applicants are losing out on a Choice option altogether. Most applicants also apply for an interdistrict magnet school or a technical school, which are seen as other remedies to racial isolation in Hartford Public Schools.

The jump in demand may also be slightly exaggerated. It is believed pandemic-related disruptions led to lower-than-usual application numbers last year, according to Kristina Jordan, director of school choice for the Capitol Region Education Council.

"The belief was that application numbers would increase this year," Jordan said.

This year's application numbers are "more consistent" with application cycles prior to the pandemic, according to Eric Scoville, a

state Department of Education spokesperson.

Still, the significant number of Hartford students whose first choice is to attend a suburban school is worth considering in the first application cycle in the post-Sheff era.

The numbers confirm that districts are not yet poised to dramatically expand their level of participation in the program.

Some districts who spoke with the Courant noted that they were already deep into planning their budget by the time the settlement was announced, while some administrators continue to voice concerns over cost and capacity.

The degree to which districts partici-

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### RALLY FOR THE PROTECT ACT



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## Advocating for prison reform

Barbara Fair, second from right, raises her hands with other prison reform advocates while speaking Monday at a rally organized by Stop Solitary CT at the state Capitol in Hartford. The rally was held to call for Gov. Ned Lamont to sign SB 459, also known as the PROTECT Act, which was passed by the House and Senate last week. Fair is the lead organizer for Stop Solitary CT.

## Aging levees cause concern

Hartford, East Hartford look at aging systems to minimize flood risks

By Ted Glanzer  
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — On the banks of the Connecticut River on Monday, U.S. Rep. John Larson and local officials stressed what's at stake as they announced \$200,000 in federal funding to study the aging levee systems in Hartford and East Hartford.

The devastation wrought on New Orleans by Hurricane Katrina in 2005 was alluded to several times during the announcement, as weather events in Connecticut are becom-

ing more intense and with greater frequency.

"This is a critical issue for both sides of the river," Larson said while addressing a crowd at the Great River Park in East Hartford. "This is a disaster that we must seek to avoid and oftentimes, simply because of the work that has gone on in both communities in Hartford and East Hartford, it's somewhat taken for granted."

Lt. Col. Michael Carvelli, deputy commander of the



U.S. Rep. John Larson discusses the Hartford/East Hartford levee system Monday. From left are East Hartford Mayor Mike Walsh, East Hartford town engineer Doug Wilson, Hartford flood director Frank Dellaripa and Lt. Col. Michael Carvelli, deputy commander of the New England district of the Army Corps of Engineers. TED GLANZER/HARTFORD COURANT

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## UConn raising student fees

By Ginny Monk  
CT Mirror

Many UConn students are set to pay more than \$600 extra in fees per year beginning in July, one of a few adjustments the state university's Board of Trustees made to student payment programs this week.

The increases were put in place in part to combat rising costs of dining and materials, which have become more expensive because of supply-chain issues during the pandemic.

Mandatory fees at Storrs are set to rise by \$268 in July, and housing and dining fees will increase by \$364. Regional mandatory fees are set to increase by \$8. The fees cover a range of services including health and well-

ness, athletics, marching band and career development services.

The full cost of attendance for an in-state student living on campus will be \$33,056.

"While we want to maintain our downward pressure on tuition and fees for the students' sake, costs continue to increase," Lloyd Blanchard, UConn's interim vice president for finance and chief financial officer, said to trustees on Wednesday. "And so it is time to increase some of these fees, as the vice chair said, to keep up with cost."

He mentioned the recent SEBAC negotiations that resulted in raises and bonuses for state employees as one of those costs.

Some fees such as the

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## Man gets prison in theft spree

'Brazen' NY thieves netted millions in Connecticut

By Edmund H. Mahony  
Hartford Courant

A member of a gang of brazen New York thieves who made off with millions of dollars of high-end automobiles, cellphones and cash-stuffed ATM machines in more than 100 break-ins along the Connecticut shoreline was sentenced to 4½ years in prison Monday.

Federal authorities said that over the last half of 2020, Douglas Noble, 28, of the Bronx was part of a five-man gang that pulled off 175 burglaries and was responsible for the theft of more than \$4 million — mostly from shore-line automobile dealerships and consumer electronics retailers.

"Reviewing the offense and relevant conduct here — 175 burglaries over roughly six months, millions of dollars in stolen property, firearm possession, and habitual high-speed chases with law enforcement — the word that comes to mind is brazen," prosecutors said in a court filing.

Noble was once caught after a police chase with a loaded ATM machine in the back of a pickup truck. Cellphone photographs confiscated by authorities show him and the other four members of the burglary conspiracy flashing diamond jewelry and grasping bricks of cash as they pose with stolen cars or use banking machines to count money.

Noble pleaded guilty but claims in a court filing that he is an aspiring artists who joined the theft ring only to help a friend and "why he became involved in such an atypical criminal enterprise ... may forever remain a mystery."

His lawyer, Richard Cramer, said in the filing that Noble lives with his aunt in a small apartment in New York City, eschews drugs and alcohol, has "produced works of art that are minimally saleable," and "shows a potential for developing a rewarding avocation if not an actual vocation."

His aunt describes him as a "kind, loyal and generous person."

Noble has one prior arrest, a state case in New York that is related to the federal theft case.

Federal prosecutors said New York

police, after receiving a complaint of a burglary in progress, chased a Chevrolet Silverado pickup truck in which Noble was a passenger. While attempt to elude the police, the pickup was driven over a curb, across a residential front lawn and became disabled after smashing into two parked cars.

Another member of the ring sped to the scene of the crash and picked up the driver of the pickup, but was forced by police to leave without Noble.

"Left behind but undeterred, Mr. Noble shoved officers and attempted to flee on foot," federal prosecutors said. "He was finally stopped by an officer's taser. The Silverado had been stolen from New York City; inside it were several iPads and iPhones, and in the truck bed was a stolen ATM."

Noble was released from custody while awaiting disposition of the New York arrest and was later charged in the federal burglary conspiracy.

Most of the businesses targeted by Noble and the others were car dealerships and cellphone stores, although the group also stole from check cash-

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## Hartford schools meet myriad needs

Milner Market, partnerships help with food, uniforms, child care, martial arts, mindfulness

By Sean McAvoy  
Hartford Courant

Upon coming back from spring break, Doris Smith's first call was to a family displaced following a fire at their home.

Thankfully, nobody was hurt, the family told Smith, who is family and community support service provider at Hartford's Thirman L. Milner Middle School. The family was stable on food and other essentials. But the children's school uniforms were lost.

Milner officials were able to replace the uniforms through Milner Market, a newly opened food pantry located within the middle school that provides food assistance and other essential goods to families. It's the latest development in the longstanding relationship between Milner and Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Hartford, which provides afterschool programs and a wide array of wrap-around supports to the school community.

"We all come together. Families will tell us what they need, and we'll take it to them," Smith said.

Milner Market, which had its grand opening on April 6, is one of four pantries of its kind that have opened across Hartford schools since the beginning of the pandemic amid heightened need for goods and services among low-income communities. Parents and caregivers can shop for food supplies, from nonperishables to frozen meats, as well as other essentials, such as cleaning supplies and hygiene products.

"I never want to hear a child or family say, 'I don't have...'" said Leonardo Watson, principal at Milner. He said he's always looking for ways to supplement what's accounted for in the budget, adding: "Money only goes so far."

The market is made possible by a \$500,000 grant from Cigna Corp. as part of the Bloomfield-based company's global Healthier Kids For Our Future initiative, which aims at reducing food insecurity in high-need areas.

About 1 in 7 children in Connecticut faces food insecurity, according to Connecticut Foodshare, a regional food bank. Communities of color were hit hardest following the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic, which disrupted job security and supply chains.

Though some progress has been made at curbing Hartford's "food desert" status, the census tract surrounding Milner Middle

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School is one of two within the capital city in which a significant number of residents live more than one mile away from a supermarket, according to the U.S. Department of Agriculture.

In the first year of the grant, Milner tapped Catholic Charities to coordinate Cigna's "Full Cart" program, which delivered meal boxes straight to homes.

Milner used the grant award to sponsor mindfulness training among school staff, which will be complete by the end of the year. The school also created a training class for parents and caregivers called "Healthy Bodega," which teaches community members how to shop for healthy, nutritious food at their nearby grocery store.

Milner Market's name was intentional, said Sahar A. Hakim, Catholic Charities' community school director. Organizers want to give families the impression that it's no different from any other grocery store, and avoid the stigmas unfortunately attached to food pantries and similar sites.

Similarly, the shopping process is structured to maximize discretion. Family members pick up their supplies in the back of the school, and only one family is allowed in the market at a time during shopping hours. It's a shame-free zone, but they let the families be in control of their own narratives.

As in the case of the family displaced by the residential fire, the market is already making a difference.

"There have been times when I ran out of food or personal hygiene products, and I was so happy that the Milner Market existed," one parent wrote in an email. "I want to say thank you for the help and hope that this continues to help more people like me."



Leanardo Watson, principal at Hartford's Milner Middle School, holds a box that a family can use to shop for items at Milner Market, a newly opened food pantry located on school grounds. **SEAMUS MCAVOY PHOTOS/HARTFORD COURANT**



The opening of Milner Market, in partnership between Milner Middle School and Catholic Charities, is intended to help families in need access food and household essentials. Leanardo Watson, principal at Milner, from left; Doris Smith, family and community support service provider at Milner; and Sahar A. Hakim, community school director at Catholic Charities.

Milner is what's known as a "community school" — a model that uses a lead outside agency to provide much-needed supports without depending on full-time staff employed by the district. The model hinges on four components: family engagement, collaborative leadership and practices, student support, and extended learning opportunities.

It's essentially an extension of the school day, Hakim said: "Extended services, extended hours, extended partnerships."

Beyond Catholic Charities, Milner also has partnerships with The Village,

a youth mental health organization, and Hartford Knights, a local youth organization.

"We're engaging several stakeholders, all at the same time, to coordinate services to remove barriers for students as well as families," said Nuchette Black-Burke, the district's chief outreach, community partnerships and family engagement officer.

Hartford Public Schools has been using the community school model for "about 14 years," according to Black-Burke. Participation has grown from just seven schools with embedded partners to include all 39



Milner Market offers household essentials such as toiletries and cleaning supplies in addition to meat products and nonperishable food.

within the district, which fall along four different tiers depending on need.

Milner is a tier four school — the highest tier — as identified by the state Department of Education's accountability index, which indicates the highest need and most services.

Catholic Charities is embedded into the building, with staff on site. The organization runs daily afterschool programs until 6 p.m. each evening, with transportation provided. Students can participate in sports, mentorship opportunities or participate in a wide variety of activities like barber shop lessons and

martial arts.

Alexx Dennis, Catholic Charities program coordinator at Milner, is fond of the cooking class — on which he serves as a taste-tester.

"Yeah, I run the program, but I'm also getting to see the kids progress," Dennis said.

"How can we come together to provide all the different types of services a student may need? It goes beyond academics. ... It's focused on the whole child," Watson said.

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## Levees

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New England district of the Army Corps of Engineers, said the levees minimize the risk of harm to residents and property damage in the area.

"Like much of the levee infrastructure throughout the country, these systems were built decades ago and do not benefit from the modern engineering practices that we have available today," he said. "Despite the initial protection provided years ago, the effects of time and weather have taken a toll on the system's integrity, requiring significant capital investment. This is why the additional funding to begin the feasibility study is so important."

Doug Wilson, East Hartford's town engineer, quantified what's at stake if the levee system — originally constructed in 1944 that includes three original pump stations that are 78 years old and running on original equipment — were to fail in his town.

"The area that the levee protects goes all the way [from the Connecticut River] to about a mile to Town Hall on Main Street," Wilson said. "Inside of that area, there are 7,000 structures. There are \$860 million worth of facilities that are protected by the levee. So investment in this levee is a great thing."

Wilson says the town



Lt. Col. Michael Carvelli of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers stresses the importance of the Hartford/East Hartford levee system. Behind him are East Hartford Mayor Mike Walsh, left, and East Hartford town engineer Doug Wilson. **TED GLANZER/HARTFORD COURANT**

has maintained the levee system consistently post-Katrina, with about \$26 million in state and town funds. That money, however, is running out after several projects are

completed this year.

"Getting this study will assist us in tapping federal monies that we otherwise couldn't touch," Wilson said.

Frank Dellaripa, Hart-

ford's flood director, said the city is facing similar issues in Hartford, "maybe more," and that he's looking forward to having the study and its recommendations completed, so that

some critical projects could be put out to bid.

"We want to make sure our antiquated system is up to par," he said. "It's old, the pump stations are old. We have closure structures where water can work its way through where the trains go."

Hartford Mayor Luke Bronin was unable to attend the event due to having contracted the coronavirus.

In a statement he said, it's "increasingly urgent" to strengthen and upgrade the levees in light of "extreme weather events becoming more common."

"The city of Hartford has made important investments in levee maintenance, prioritizing our investment together with the Army Corps of Engineers, but to make the full range of necessary upgrades requires a federal, state and local partnership," Bronin said.

The improvements are also important to residents for another reason, Dellaripa said.

"If we don't do a good job under the Army Corps purview, then all of a sudden FEMA kicks in, then you've got to get flood insurance," he said. "No way is that acceptable."

East Hartford lost certification after Hurricane Katrina, Wilson said.

"We've done a number of improvements that have brought us back into certification," he said. "But there's more to do."

## UConn

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technology fee and infrastructure maintenance, which fall under the mandatory fee category, haven't risen since 2014. And university-supported financial aid has increased by 28% since fiscal year 2019, according to a presentation given to the board on Wednesday.

"The university stretches really far, as far as we can, in accommodating financial need among those students that have the greatest amount of need," said Nathan Fuerst, vice president for enrollment planning and management during Wednesday's board meeting.

Over the past five years, the university's fee-funded expenses have increased by 18%, and student fees have increased by 3.8%, according to a news release. The changes don't affect UConn's five-year tuition plan for fiscal years 2021 through 2025, put in place in 2019.

"Obviously nobody likes to pay more for their tuition," said Mason Holland, UConn's Undergraduate Student Government president. "We need to be able to understand it as an equity issue for students."

For some students, Holland said, a few hundred extra dollars in fees could make a college degree inaccessible. Federal data show that average tuition and fee costs at public four-year universities were about 13% higher for the 2019-20 school year than they were for the 2010-11 school year.

But other changes to the school's payment programs may help combat the rising costs.

One of the adjustments is an optional flat fee for books. The program is called the Barnes & Noble First-Day Complete Program.

The fee will be \$285 per semester beginning in spring 2023. Students can opt into the program.

Holland said the administration gathered student input about the plan and said it will be of particular help to science, technology, engineering and math students, many of whom pay hundreds per semester for textbooks.

"What we wanted to figure out was how do we create a medium for students to be able to get the books they need, but keep it affordable," Holland said. "I'm glad it was able to happen but also to be sure students could opt in if they wanted to."

The student government will help tell students about the program, Holland said.

The university is also switching its Education Abroad program from a fee-based payment system to a tuition-based program, meaning students can use their scholarships and financial aid dollars toward study abroad.

"We want all of our students, regardless of ability to pay, to be able to participate in such programs," said Blanchard, according to a news release. "It's very much in keeping with our mission at UConn to provide a cutting-edge education and opportunities for all of our students regardless of their financial circumstances."

University officials held two town halls regarding the changes ahead of the board vote.

## Theft

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ing businesses, video game retailers and, in at least one incident, the driveway of a private residence. The victims were spread across several Connecticut and New York counties.

The thieves are accused of targeting multiple businesses in one night; they would force entry by breaking a door or window, then steal cellphones or other merchandise or, in the case of dealerships, key fobs which they would use to steal cars from the dealership lot.

"All told, the conspiracy was responsible for over \$4,000,000 in stolen property, with property damage such as broken doors and windows accounting for a small percentage of that," prosecutors said. "The burglary and loss totals, while staggering, are conservative as they represent incidents for which there is sufficient evidence tying the theft to members of the conspiracy."

## Open Choice

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pate in the program varies widely. Below is based on Open Choice enrollment from 2019-20 — the most recent school year for which district enrollment data is available.

Towns in the Farmington Valley typically receive the largest number of Hartford students through Open Choice, according to the data, but participation is mixed.

For example, West Hartford has traditionally welcomed the most Hartford students, but participates to a smaller degree based on percentage of

overall student body than neighboring towns.

All towns have room for improvement, Stone said. According to her numbers, 336 applicants listed Wethersfield as their preferred destination but the district is only offering 18 seats. Farmington has open only 14 seats for 284 applicants — up from 140 last year.

Low participation is "not a commitment to try to be part of the solution," Stone said. "And [Open Choice] benefits their students. Because when you have racially isolated, segregated school systems that are all Caucasian, that's not right. [Open Choice] benefits everybody, that's the whole

purpose of integration."

As part of the Sheff agreement, districts in the region stand to benefit from a handful of increased financial incentives for Open Choice participation.

Beginning fiscal year 2023, the state will increase the participation grants to districts by \$2,000 per Open Choice student.

Participating districts that increase Open Choice enrollment by 20% will be eligible to share a \$750,000 bonus grant, up to a maximum of \$5,000 per student, also beginning fiscal year 2023.

The benefits are included in the state's Comprehensive School Choice Plan, or CCP, which intends to

"meet Hartford-resident demand for a diverse educational setting and includes a plan to increase access to Open Choice options as well as to magnet schools and technical schools to meet that demand," Scoville said.

"As indicated in the CCP, we hope to support increased opportunities for participation in school choice through the additional investment in both magnet school and Open Choice options," Scoville said.

Meanwhile, more than 6,000 students in Greater Hartford have been placed in an interdistrict magnet school or suburban school through the Open Choice program ahead of the 2022-

23 school year.

"We hope families accept this amazing opportunity for a unique educational journey that offers students a choice where they attend school," said Robin Cecere, regional school choice director for the state Department of Education. "These choices give students access to small class sizes, individualized educational programming, and specialized themes to ignite their interests, challenge their mind, motivate their best effort, and prepare them for the real world."

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# Bronin tests positive for COVID-19

By Ted Glanzer  
Hartford Courant

HARTFORD — Mayor Luke Bronin is the latest high-profile Connecticut official to test positive for COVID-19.

In an announcement on Twitter, Bronin said he was feeling congested on Sunday and decided to take an at-home test, which came out positive.

“Guess it’s my turn,” he said in the post, noting he was experiencing fairly mild symptoms.

“Grateful for these at-home tests,” he said. “Better to know.”

In a statement, Bronin said he would be following CDC guidance for quarantining for the next few days.

“I am thankful to be both vaccinated and boosted, and at this point my symptoms are similar to those of a mild to moderate flu,” he said.

“I encourage all Hartford residents to get vaccinated and boosted and to get their free at-home test kits from the Hartford Public



Bronin

Library.”

Bronin is one of several state officials to test positive recently, including U.S. Sen. Chris Murphy, D-Conn., who announced that he had COVID via tweet on April 26, after a round of appearances in Hartford. Gov. Ned Lamont and Lt. Gov. Susan Bysiewicz announced in early April that they had contracted coronavirus.

He missed an appearance Monday with U.S. Rep. John Larson and East Hartford Mayor Mike Walsh announcing \$200,000 in

federal funding for the levee systems in Hartford and East Hartford that was included in this year’s government funding package.

“I spoke with him on the phone this morning, he sounded fantastic,” Larson said at the event. “He says he hopes it’s mild.

“When you talk about a global and national pandemic that you deal with on a regular basis, COVID is still with us. Thankfully because of efforts to put vaccinations in people’s arms, and booster shots, people are remaining healthy and out of the hospital. That’s the right way for things to proceed.”

## Sentencing day arrives for siblings

Correas convicted of 2017 slayings of 3 in Griswold

By Taylor Hartz  
Hartford Courant

Sergio and Ruth Correa — the Hartford siblings who in 2017 viciously killed three members of the Lindquist family in a torturous home invasion in Griswold — will be sentenced back-to-back on Tuesday in New London Superior Court.

More than four years ago, the siblings drove down a winding road in sleepy Griswold a few days before Christmas and committed one of the most coldblooded crime frenzies in recent Connecticut history.

Sergio Correa, who was found guilty by a jury on more than a dozen charges after a gut-wrenching weekslong trial and was painted by his sister — who took the stand against him — as the criminal mastermind behind the night, will be sentenced at 10 a.m. by Judge Hunchu Kwak, who presided over his trial late last year.

Ruth Correa, Sergio Correa’s adopted sister, will be sentenced at 2 p.m. by Judge Hilary B. Strackbein, who oversees New London Superior Court Part A, where major crimes are heard. Ruth Correa testified against her older brother as part of a plea deal with the state that she hopes will lessen her sentence and give her a chance to freely see her two young children again someday.

The Correas went to Griswold on Dec. 19, 2017 to carry out a plot to trade drugs for guns with the youngest Lindquist, 21-year-old Matthew, who was struggling with withdrawals from heroin.

Instead of the deal they’d planned over a flurry of frantic texts, the Correas chased Matthew Lindquist into the woods near Pachaug Pond, attacked him with a machete and left him to die, according to court testimony. They then wound their way to his parent’s house, where they killed the family dog, Skylar, with a golf club, shattered Kenneth Lindquist’s skull with a baseball bat, taunted and strangled Janet Lindquist and torched the family’s home to the ground.

The siblings reportedly stole Matthew Lindquist’s car, which they also set fire to, and stole the family’s Christmas presents.

Sergio Correa was convicted Dec. 14 on 13 of the 14 crimes he was charged with, including two counts of felony murder, three counts of murder and one count of murder with special circumstances. His trial had been delayed repeatedly, in part due to the COVID-19 pandemic shuttering statewide courts and suspending jury trials.

He faces more than life in prison.

Ruth Correa’s plea deal includes a suggested sentence of 40 years instead of the more than 100 years she might have been sentenced to without the deal.

Eric Lindquist, Kenneth and Janet Lindquist’s surviving son and older brother of Matthew Lindquist, of Griswold, sat through every minute of the trial and plans to attend the back-to-back sentencings. Family and friends of the Lindquists packed the court room every day of the weekslong trial, which included testimony from detectives, medical examiners, neighbors, friends and Ruth Correa.

Both siblings have been held in custody since their arrests. Sergio Correa will be sentenced first on Tuesday, followed by his sister.

## Torrington man accused of torching car

By Jesse Leavenworth  
Hartford Courant

A Torrington man torched his neighbor’s car early Monday “because he didn’t like Mormons,” a police spokesman said.

Samuel Vandeusen, 22, of 141 East Pearl St., was arrested on charges of first-degree criminal mischief, third-degree arson and second-degree breach of peace.

Vandeusen also was charged with deprivation of rights, defined as subjecting another person “to the deprivation of any rights, privileges or immunities, secured or protected by the Constitution or laws of this state or of the United States, on account of religion,” race, sexual orientation and other identifying characteristics.

Police were called to 139 East Pearl St. at about 3:25 a.m. on a reported fire in a 2022 Chevy Equinox. A witness told police that someone lit a rag on fire and stuffed it into the gasoline fill compartment, Det. Kevin Tieman said. Officers learned at the scene that Vandeusen was responsible, and he confessed to starting the blaze, police said. The car was heavily damaged, Tieman said.

Vandeusen was held in lieu of \$250,000 and was to appear in Torrington Superior Court Monday.

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Juan Modesto is executive chef at Fornarelli’s in Colchester. SUSAN DUNNE/HARTFORD COURANT

## Fornarelli’s restaurant opens in Colchester

By Susan Dunne  
Hartford Courant

Suburban restaurants, not dependent on the return of office culture in the city, have fared better in the pandemic than Hartford eateries. Carbone’s and Thomas Hooker Brewing have seen that, as their suburban locations thrive while their urban locations still struggle. Fornarelli’s has seen it, too. The Asylum Street location is scraping by, Vito Fornarelli said, but he is dipping his toe into the suburbs, too, with a new location in Colchester.

“In Hartford, the lunch crowd is gone, and for what’s left, people go where they are familiar with, where they’ve gone before,” he said. “There is no new traffic.”

Fornarelli’s just opened a location at 112 Halls Hill Road in Colchester, the town where Fornarelli grew up and still lives. The Italian eatery has been embraced by the community and Fornarelli is optimistic.

“The suburbs are where it’s at. Hartford has great restaurants, but during the week, with the workers gone, what is Hartford going to do?” he said. “It’s nice to get into

the suburbs, become part of a town.”

The restaurant is where Colchester Farmer’s Hall banquet facility used to be. In his youth, Fornarelli, 30, went to parties there. Now he runs the renovated space, which has a bar-performance area downstairs.

The dining room is adorned with murals by Colchester artist Brian Wentworth, depicting Bari, Italy, hometown of Vito’s father, John Fornarelli. John and Vito founded Fornarelli’s in New Haven in 2014 and moved it to Hartford in 2019. Wentworth also created a mural in the bar, with Colchester landmarks. Food ordered in the dining room can be delivered to the bar if requested.

Fornarelli said “we want to bring a different flair to Colchester that it hasn’t had in years,” but also said of his restaurant, “we’re not a Michelin star type place, not hoity toity. We’re a family restaurant.”

The restaurant, which opened April 8, has a capacity of about 200, 250 when the weather warms up and the patio opens.

The appetizers, ranging from \$8 to \$15, include (from least to most expensive), fried mozzarella, eggplant rollatini,

meatballs, bracciole, Sicilian calamari and shrimp cocktail. Pastas, from \$20 to \$25, include cheese ravioli, spaghetti with meatballs, butternut squash ravioli, lobster ravioli and beef bracciole with rigatoni. Entrees, from \$22 to \$26, are lemon chicken, chicken parmesan, sole piccata, baked haddock, shrimp scampi and veal marsala. Dinner specials are available.

A takeout counter will be set up soon, and Sunday brunch is served. Juan Modesto is executive chef.

Fornarelli said the Colchester opening has helped the Hartford location. “Fans of the Hartford restaurant have come here. Fans of this restaurant have gone to Hartford,” he said. “I hope we can boost each other up.”

Fornarelli’s is open Tuesday to Thursday 3 to 9 p.m., Friday and Saturday 3 to 10 p.m., and Sunday for brunch from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. The bar is open Thursday to Saturday from 5 p.m. to close. [fornarellis.com](http://fornarellis.com).

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## Bristol woman pleads guilty to ‘straw’ gun buying

By Edmund H. Mahony  
Hartford Courant

A Bristol woman has pleaded guilty in federal court to breaking the law by buying guns that ended up in the possession of others, federal prosecutors said.

Leah Boucher, 30, pleaded guilty to the charge of making a false statement to a firearms dealer in connection with one of the purchases.

Federal prosecutors said they uncovered the crime on Aug. 9, 2021, when law enforcement conducted a court-authorized search of Tyrone Brown’s residence on Stevens Street in New Haven and seized a loaded 9mm semi-automatic pistol.

Brown, who is a convicted felon and was prohibited by federal law from purchasing or possessing a firearm or ammunition, was arrested at that time.

An investigation revealed that the firearm was registered to a family member of Boucher, and that Boucher had purchased 10 other firearms at four different gun stores in Connecticut between March and July 2021, according to federal authorities.

When investigators interviewed Boucher on Aug. 26, 2021, Boucher admitted that she had purchased firearms for other individuals, and that she was no longer in possession of any of the 10 firearms that were registered to her, according to federal authorities.

Boucher was arrested on a federal criminal complaint on Oct. 15, 2021.

At sentencing, which is scheduled for July 25, before U.S. District Judge Janet Bond Arteron in New Haven, Boucher faces a maximum term of 10 years in prison, according to federal authorities.

In the meantime, Brown pleaded guilty last week to the crime of unlawful possession of a firearm by a felon. He is detained while awaiting sentencing.

## One man dead after shootings in Hartford

By Jesse Leavenworth  
Hartford Courant

A Hartford man who was shot Sunday, one of two separate shootings in the city, died Monday, police said.

Javier Hernandez-Jiminian, 34, of 5 Mary Shepard Place, was found shot in the area of 493 Park St. at about 8 p.m. Hernandez-Jiminian was taken to an area hospital, where he later died, police said.

The other shooting was reported at about 6:47 p.m. at 256 Mather St. Officers found evidence of gunfire, and while they were at the scene, a man in his 30s arrived at an area hospital suffering from gunshot wounds, which police said were not life-threatening.

The shootings are not related, police spokesman Lt. Aaron Boisvert said Monday. Anyone with information is asked to call the department tip line at 860-722-TIPS (8477).

In the first four months of 2022, 11 people were fatally shot in the city — up 22% from this time in 2021 and 2020 when nine people were killed by gunfire by the end of April, according to police.

The number of non-fatal shootings recorded between January and April each year since the start of the COVID-19 pandemic has stayed about the same. There were 35 in the first four months of 2022 and 36 in the first four months of 202, according to police data. However, the spike in homicides in the years since the start of the pandemic is evident.

In 2019, the city had 147 shootings, 21 of them fatal. In 2020, when Connecticut residents spent months in state-ordered lockdown due to the COVID-19 pandemic, the number of shootings rose dramatically, with 232 shootings, 25 of them fatal.

According to studies by the Council for Criminal Justice, which analyzed data from police departments in 34 American cities to review the impact of the pandemic on crime rates, homicides spiked significantly in 2020, as did gun assaults. Homicide rates were 30% higher than in 2019 across the cities.

Information from the Courant’s Taylor Hartz was used in this report. Jesse Leavenworth can be reached at [jleavenworth@courant.com](mailto:jleavenworth@courant.com).



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Rosemary L. Nolin, Assistant Clerk

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Barbara Laudano  
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5/3/22 7201830

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF JOHN A. COSGROVE, Late of East Hampton (22-00063)

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The fiduciary is:  
Andrew Baker, 1900 Tischer Road, Apt. B, Raleigh, NC 27603  
5/3/22 7201067

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

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Extra Space Storage will hold a public auction to sell personal property described below belonging to those individuals listed below at the location indicated:  
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Auction Date- May 17, 2022 1:00PM  
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### Legal Notice of Decision

**Town of Killingworth Planning & Zoning Commission**

The Killingworth Planning & Zoning Commission held its regular meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 and took the following actions:

Approved Site Plan Application #369 for John Steinhart, for Boarding Stable at 90 Route 80.

Approved Lot Line Revision Application #370 for Hutchins at 362 and 370 Route 148.

Thomas Lentz, Chairman  
Dated at Killingworth, Connecticut, this 28th day of April, 2022.  
5/3/2022 7202565

### NOTICE TO CREDITORS

ESTATE OF John Charles Ellis, Late of Old Saybrook, AKA John C. Ellis (22-0270)

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1442- London K Kendrick- Furniture, Household Items  
1459- Princess Asiam- 2Bd Apt  
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**Bristol Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School – Technology Equipment**  
State Project Number 017-0084 -RNV

The City of Bristol is requesting proposals for Technology Equipment to be located at the newly renovated Bristol Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School, 70 Memorial Boulevard in Bristol, CT. The work described herein includes furnishing, installing and configuring all materials and equipment for the project as well as performing or providing all labor, supervision, equipment and services unless otherwise noted within the bid documents. Proposals for the Bristol Memorial Boulevard Intradistrict Arts Magnet School – Technology Equipment are due no later than 1:00 p.m. on May 13, 2022, and shall be delivered to the Purchasing Department at the address noted above. Any proposal received after said date and time will not be considered for award. Interested firms are required to submit all required information as shown in the specifications in one copy of digital media of the proposal to Roger Rousseau, Purchasing Agent, no later than the date and time noted above. Submissions may be made via email, shared file service, or USB drive. Office hours are 8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday through Friday. The City of Bristol does not assume responsibility for failure of submissions to be received by the City by the date and time noted.

Roger Rousseau, Purchasing Agent  
City of Bristol Purchasing Department  
111 North Main Street, Second Floor Bristol, Connecticut 06010  
Tel (860) 584-6195/ Fax (860) 584-6171 <http://www.bristolct.gov/bids>  
Bids transmitted by facsimile will not be accepted. Bids received after the designated time for receipt of bids will not be considered.

No Bidder may withdraw their bid within 90 days after the actual date of bid opening thereof. Should there be reason why the contract cannot be awarded within the specific period, this time may be extended by mutual agreement between the City and the designated, qualified low Bidder.

**KEY DATES:**  
Thursday, April 28, 2022 - Project Manual and Plans available electronically  
Friday, May 6, 2022 - Last Day for Written Questions – 5:00 p.m.  
Friday, May 13, 2022 - Bids Due & Bid Opening – 1:00 p.m.

To obtain documents:  
Proposal submission documents, including Plans and Specifications dated January 21, 2022, Revised April 1, 2022, as prepared by QAS&M Architecture, may be downloaded by each Bidder from the link provided on the City of Bristol website and will also be posted on the DAS website.  
Neither the Owner nor the Architect will be responsible for full or partial sets of Bid Documents obtained from any other source.  
All questions during bidding period must be sent by email to: Guillen Technology Consultants - Linda Fredrickson: lfredrickson@gtc-us.com and to Roger Rousseau, the Bristol Purchasing Agent at RogerRousseau@bristolct.gov. Answers will be posted on the City of Bristol website and the DAS website.  
The email subject line shall read: "MBIAMS – Technology Equipment Bid RFI".  
Because of ongoing COVID-19 concerns, a group walk-through will not be held at this time, but bidders will be able to schedule a site visit. Please email this request to Guillen Technology Consultants and to Roger Rousseau as shown above. If there is a considerable demand for site visits, and conditions are favorable, a group walk-through will be scheduled. Please follow the Instructions provided in both Division 00.1 which applies to State Contractors and Bidders, and Division 00.2 which applies to the Public Bid only. Additional instructions for the bid are included in "Instructions for Bidders – Technology Equipment".

**Please Note: BIDDER MUST SUBMIT A TOTAL PRICE FOR ALL ITEMS IN THE BID LIST THEY ARE BIDDING ON.**  
Other Requirements: This project is subject to State DOL prevailing wages, and other provisions as outlined in the bid documents. Labor with Prevailing Wage Rates will be required for any Bid Lists that include installation of the products that attach to the building. Prevailing Wage Rates will not be required for products that are simply delivered to the site. The Bid Package for Technology Equipment includes the following:

**Bid List #1**  
TE6 Classroom and Conference Room Audio Visual Systems, - with Installation  
TE13 Document Cameras - with Installation

**Bid List #2**  
TE8 Audio Visual Systems - with Installation

**Bid List #3**  
TE9 MIDI Lab Classroom and Recording Studio - with Installation  
TE10 Robotics for Creative Construction Scene Shop – Deliver to Classroom

**Bid List #4**  
TE12 Charging Cabinets - with Installation

**Bid List #5**  
TE14 Printers - with Installation

**Bid List #6**  
TE15 Library Barcode Scanners - Deliver to Library Media Center

**DAS Prequalification:**  
1. If the Bidder seeks to receive an award for any combination of Bid Packages with a value greater than \$500,000, the Bidder must be included on the current listing of DAS Prequalified Telecommunications Systems Vendors, as published on the DAS website: <https://portal.ct.gov/DAS/Procurement/PreQual/DAS-Construction-ContractorPrequalification-Program-Prequalified-Companies>.  
2. Bidder is required to submit an Update (Bid) Statement for this project.  
3. Bidder is also required to submit a current DAS Prequalification Certificate.  
4. All Bidders or subcontractors must be an authorized reseller of the AV products provided. Documentation from the manufacturer must be submitted.  
5. Bidder or subcontractor must be an authorized installer of the AV products provided. Documentation from the manufacturer must be submitted showing the name of the dealership, if the installers are staff members; or documentation showing that the Bidder's subcontractor is an authorized installer.  
6. Bidder is required to submit at least 3 references with contact information and a brief description of the work completed for similar projects.  
7. Successful Bidder for Bid List #1 will be required to install a mock-up of the Classroom AV System including the Display, Mount, concealed Cabling, connection to the Teacher Station Computer, and Wall Plates. Pathways and Back Boxes with Power and Data have been provided as a part of the Base Bid.

**Submissions:**  
Vendors are to refer to the Project Manual for further instructions. From the Table of Contents:  
Section 00.1 – Submit completed form – Statement of Bidder's Qualifications  
**APPENDIX – PROCUREMENT LIST – BID LISTS 1 – 6** Submit completed Bid List for each product Vendor is bidding on. Vendors will be allowed to submit quotations in their standard format, in lieu of using the Bid Lists, but must follow the order of the products listed. Additional pages may be attached if Vendor chooses to include supplementary information.  
Bidders must review the project information and instructions provided in all the documents. Bidders will need to submit the documents listed in Instructions for Bidders – Technology Equipment in ARTICLE 7: SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS.  
**Bonds:** The successful bidder will be required to furnish and pay for 100% Performance and Labor & Material Payment Bonds for any products requiring installation.  
A satisfactory Bid Bond in the amount equal to ten percent (10%) of the base bid, shall be submitted with each bid. The Bid Bond shall be made payable to City of Bristol and shall be properly executed by the Bidder and acceptable sureties. All bonds must be from sureties registered in the State of Connecticut. No bid will be accepted unless accompanied by the required Bid Bond.  
**Insurance:** The successful bidder must have the minimum insurance coverage stated within the bid documents under Supplementary Conditions, Article 13 – Insurance, page 3. The State of Connecticut and the City of Bristol shall be listed as an additional insured on all insurance certificates. The City will not enter into Agreement with successful Bidder for any work under this project until required insurance as detailed in the Project Manual has been obtained and the City has received the requested certificates of insurance and policies, nor shall the successful bidder permit any subcontractors to commence work until similar insurance has been obtained and the City has received the requested certificates of insurance and policies.  
**Right to Reject Bid:** The City of Bristol reserves the right to reject any, or any part of, or all proposals; to waive informalities and technicalities; and to accept that proposal which the City of Bristol and the Bristol Board of Education deem to be in the best interest of the City, whether or not it is the lowest dollar-cost proposal.

**Additional Conditions:**  
All bidders are requested to note that the award of a Contract is subject to the following conditions and contingencies:  
a. Necessary approvals of the City's Purchasing Department  
b. Acceptable bids within the funding limitations of the project  
The awarded firm will take affirmative action to ensure that applicants are employed, and that employees are treated during employment, without regard to their race, color, religion, gender, or national origin.  
The City of Bristol is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer, Minority/Women's and Small Business Enterprises are encouraged to submit a proposal.



# BUSINESS

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## Fed likely to take drastic steps to fight off inflation

Central bank moving closer to raising interest rate a half-percentage point

By Christopher Rugaber  
Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The Federal Reserve is poised this week to accelerate its most drastic steps in three decades to attack inflation by making it costlier to borrow — for a car, a home, a business deal, a credit card purchase — all of which will compound Americans’ financial strains and likely weaken the economy.

Yet with inflation having surged to a 40-year high, the Fed has come under extraordinary pressure to act aggressively to slow spending and curb the price spikes that are bedeviling households and companies.

After its latest rate-setting meeting ends Wednesday, the Fed will almost certainly announce that it’s raising its benchmark short-term interest rate by a half-percentage point — the sharpest rate hike since 2000. The Fed will likely carry out another half-point rate hike at its next meeting in June and possibly at the next one after that, in July.

Economists foresee still further rate hikes in the months to follow.

The Fed is also expected to announce Wednesday that it will begin quickly shrinking its vast stockpile of Treasury and mortgage bonds beginning in June — a move that will have the effect of further tightening credit.

Chair Jerome Powell and the Fed will take these steps in the dark. No one knows how high the central bank’s short-term rate must go to slow the economy and restrain inflation. Nor do the officials know how much they can reduce the Fed’s unprecedented \$9 trillion balance sheet before they risk destabilizing financial markets.

“I liken it to driving in reverse while using the rear-view mirror,” said Diane Swonk, chief economist at the consulting firm Grant Thornton. “They just don’t know what obstacles they’re going to hit.”

Many economists think the Fed is already acting too late. As inflation has soared, the Fed’s benchmark rate is in a range of 0.25% to 0.5%, a level low enough to stimulate growth. Adjusted for inflation, the Fed’s key

rate — which influences many consumer and business loans — is deep in negative territory. That’s why Powell and other Fed officials have said recently that they want to raise rates “expeditiously,” to a level that neither boosts nor restrains the economy — what economists refer to as the “neutral” rate. Policymakers consider a neutral rate to be roughly 2.4%.

But no one is certain what the neutral rate is at any particular time, especially in an economy that is evolving quickly.

If, as most economists expect, the Fed this year carries out three half-point rate hikes and then follows with three quarter-point hikes, its rate would reach roughly neutral by year’s end. Those increases would amount to the fastest pace of rate hikes since 1989, said Roberto Perli, an economist at Piper Sandler.

Even dovish Fed officials, such as Charles Evans, president of the Federal Reserve Bank of Chicago, have endorsed that path. Fed “doves” typically prefer keeping rates low to support hiring, while “hawks” often support higher rates to curb inflation.

## Spirit favors Frontier’s offer over JetBlue bid

By David Koenig  
and Michelle Chapman  
Associated Press

Spirit Airlines said Monday that it still supports Frontier Airlines’ \$2.9 billion takeover bid for the airline, saying it was more likely to win regulatory approval than JetBlue’s competing \$3.6 billion offer.

Spirit, based in Miramar, Florida, said antitrust regulators are unlikely to approve JetBlue’s offer because of JetBlue’s alliance with American Airlines in the Northeast, a deal that the Justice Department is suing to block.

“We struggle to understand how JetBlue can believe” that the Justice Department or a court would let JetBlue strike a deal with American, then buy Spirit, eliminating the nation’s largest low-cost airline, the Spirit board said in a letter to JetBlue directors.

New York-based JetBlue rejected Spirit’s view, especially after promising last week to make concessions designed to assure regulatory approval of its offer.

JetBlue’s CEO seemed to raise the possibility of a hostile takeover bid Monday.

The development was a reversal from last month, when Spirit said that after speaking with financial and legal advisers, its directors believed JetBlue’s offer could “reasonably” turn out to be the better of the two deals.

Spirit said its board continues to back the offer made by Frontier in February and views it as the best way to maximize value for the airline.

The airline anticipates a deal with Denver-based Frontier closing in the second half of the year.

The JetBlue-American cooperative venture in Boston and New York, called the Northeast Alliance, or NEA, was opposed by Spirit and other competitors long before Frontier made an attempt in February to buy Spirit.



Cassie Ghaffar and Sandy Nguyen own Saigon Hustle, a Vietnamese restaurant in Houston. ANNIE MULLIGAN/THE NEW YORK TIMES

## Window to a wider audience

Vietnamese restaurants look to the American drive-thru to achieve fast-food success

By Priya Krishna  
The New York Times

HOUSTON — The Hughie’s on West 18th Street is one among scores of Vietnamese American restaurants around Houston. But it may have more in common with a Dairy Queen.

For starters, it used to be a Dairy Queen. The sign out front still has the eye-shaped outline of the ice cream chain’s logo. On the menu, alongside banh mi and shaking beef, are chicken tenders, a Dairy Queen standard.

The most striking similarity, though, is the restaurant’s drive-thru window, which opened in March 2020 in response to the coronavirus lockdowns.

Paul Pham, an owner of this Hughie’s and another a few miles away, hopes his restaurant will be as ubiquitous as Dairy Queen. Next year, he’ll open a third location, and has plans to expand in Texas and perhaps beyond.

In his vision, the drive-thru — a classic

American innovation that harnessed the fast-food business to the nation’s car culture — is also a potential vehicle to make Vietnamese food the next cuisine to join that success story. He believes that Americans’ increasing familiarity with Vietnamese cuisine makes it the ideal food for the next generation of drive-thru restaurants.

In recent years, several Vietnamese restaurants with the same idea have opened in Houston, including Oui Banh Mi, Saigon Hustle and Kim’s Pho & Grill. Outside Texas, there’s Simply Vietnam in Santa Rosa, California; Mi-Sant Banh Mi Co. in Brooklyn Park, Minnesota; and To Me Vietnamese Sub in Calgary, Alberta.

All these restaurants have drive-thrus, and owners who are trying to attract a broader fan base for Vietnamese cooking by marrying its flavors with American convenience.

“We are going to shift toward more of a Chick-fil-A type of concept,” said Pham, who was born and raised in Houston, home to about 150,000 Vietnamese Americans.

To him, that also means using technology to streamline customer service, opening in diversely populated neighborhoods and closing on Sundays, as Chick-fil-A does — practices, he said, that are less common

among Houston’s older Vietnamese restaurants.

“Our concept would not survive in an old-school Asian environment,” he said. His family opened the first Hughie’s in 2013.

Americans who identify their background as Vietnamese numbered roughly 2.1 million in the 2020 census. Many North American cities, including Philadelphia, Washington, D.C., and San Jose, California, are experiencing a surge of new Vietnamese restaurants.

But in adopting the drive-thru and other practices of the fast-food industry, restaurateurs hope to reach an audience beyond their fellow Vietnamese Americans.

“We are trying to sit at the level of Panda Express,” said Cassie Ghaffar, an owner of Saigon Hustle, which she opened last February in the Oak Forest neighborhood of Houston with her business partner, Sandy Nguyen.

Saigon Hustle — which serves banh mi, vermicelli bowls and rice bowls — looks like an American drive-in from the 1950s, with a large awning decorated with images of dragon fruits and an area where cars can pull up. Saigon Hustle only has one location, but its founders said it is on track to take in \$1.8 million in revenue this year.

### BUSINESS BRIEFING

## Twitter barring MyPillow CEO

MyPillow CEO Mike Lindell was banned from Twitter for a second time after attempting to use a new account to access the social media platform.

Lindell set up a new account Sunday on Twitter under @MikeJLindell. The account was quickly suspended.

Twitter said Monday that Lindell’s new account was permanently suspended for violating its rules on ban evasion.

Lindell’s original Twitter account was permanently banned in January 2021 after Lindell continued to perpetuate the baseless claim that Donald Trump won the 2020 presidential election.

At the time Twitter said that it decided to ban Lindell due to “repeated violations” of its civic integrity policy.

## Delivery strike ends in Dubai

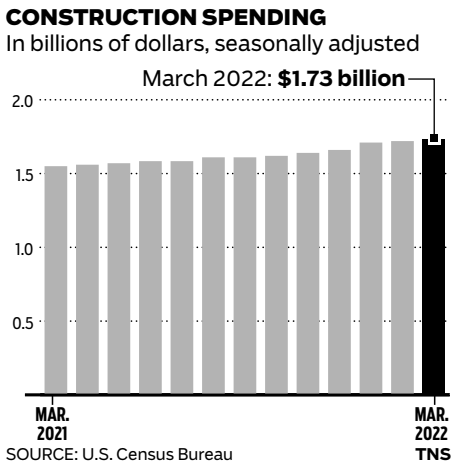
DUBAI, United Arab Emirates — Food-delivery drivers protesting wage cuts and grueling working conditions went on a rare strike in Dubai over the weekend — a mass walkout that paralyzed one of the country’s main delivery apps and revived concerns about labor conditions in the emirate.

The strike, which started Saturday, ended Monday when London-based Deliveroo agreed to restore workers’ pay to \$2.79 per delivery instead of the proposed rate of \$2.38 that had ignited the work stoppage as the company tried to cut costs amid surging fuel prices. The Amazon-backed firm also backtracked on its plan to extend working shifts to 14 hours a day.

Strikes remain illegal in the United Arab Emirates.

### Construction spending

March construction spending in the U.S. rose 0.1% from February.



## EU moves forward in Apple antitrust case

By Samuel Petrequin  
Associated Press

BRUSSELS — The European Union stepped up its antitrust case against Apple on Monday, accusing the company of abusing its dominant position by limiting access to technologies allowing contactless payment.

The 27-nation bloc’s executive arm, the European Commission, has been investigating Apple since 2020.

The commission’s preliminary view is that the firm is restricting competition by preventing mobile wallet app developers from accessing the necessary hardware and software on Apple devices.

Mobile wallets rely on near-field commu-

nication, or NFC, which uses a chip in the mobile device to wirelessly communicate with a merchant’s payment terminal.

The commission said Apple Pay is by far the largest NFC-based mobile wallet on the market and accused the company of refusing others access to the popular technology.

“Apple has built a closed ecosystem around its devices and its operating system, iOS. And Apple controls the gates to this ecosystem, setting the rules of the game for anyone who wants to reach consumers using Apple devices,” EU competition commissioner Margrethe Vestager said. “By excluding others from the game, Apple has unfairly shielded its Apple Pay wallets from competition.”

The commission didn’t say how big the

finances could be if the charges against Apple were ultimately upheld.

Apple responded in a statement that it “will continue to engage with the Commission to ensure European consumers have access to the payment option of their choice in a safe and secure environment.”

The commission said the practice “has an exclusionary effect on competitors and leads to less innovation and less choice for consumers for mobile wallets on iPhones.”

The case is one of several investigations opened by the EU targeting Apple. EU regulators are also looking into whether the company has been violating the bloc’s antitrust laws by distorting competition for music streaming by imposing unfair rules for rival services in its App Store.



BUSINESS



The Gas Interconnector Greece-Bulgaria pipeline, due to become operational in June, will give countries in the region greater access to supplies of natural gas outside Russia. AVAX 2020

New pipeline helps Europe ease reliance on Russian gas

By Derek Gatopoulos  
Associated Press

ATHENS, Greece — Mountainous and remote, the Greek-Bulgaria border once formed the southern corner of the Iron Curtain. Today, it's where the European Union is redrawing the region's energy map to ease its heavy reliance on Russian natural gas.

A new pipeline — built during the COVID-19 pandemic, tested and due to start operation in June — would ensure that large volumes of gas flow between the two countries in both directions to generate electricity, fuel industry and heat homes.

The energy link takes on greater importance following Moscow's decision last week to cut off gas supplies to Poland and Bulgaria over a demand for payments in rubles stemming from Western sanctions over the war in Ukraine.

The 110-mile pipeline project is the first of several planned gas interconnectors that would give eastern European Union members and countries hoping to join the 27-nation bloc access to the global gas market.

In the short term, it's Bulgaria's backup.

The new connection, called the Gas Interconnector Greece-Bulgaria, will give the country access to ports in neighboring Greece that import liquefied natural gas, or LNG, and also will bring gas from Azerbaijan through a new pipeline system that ends in Italy.

It's one of many efforts as EU members scramble to edit their energy mixes, with some reverting back to emissions-heavy coal while also planning expanded output from renewables.

Germany, the world's biggest buyer of Russian energy, is looking to build LNG import terminals that would take years. Italy, another top Russian gas importer, has reached deals with Algeria, Azerbaijan, Angola and Congo for gas supplies.

The EU wants to reduce its dependence on Russian oil and gas by two-thirds this year and to eliminate it completely over five years through alternative sources, the use of wind and solar power, and conservation.

Russia's invasion of Ukraine is likely to accelerate changes in the EU's

long-term strategy as the bloc adapts to energy that is more expensive but also more integrated among member nations, said Simone Tagliapietra, an energy expert at the Brussels-based think tank Bruegel.

"It's a new world," he said. "And in this new world, it's clear that Russia doesn't want to be part of an international order as we think of it."

EU policymakers argue that while Eastern European members are among the most dependent on Russian gas, the size of their markets makes the problem manageable. Bulgaria imported 90% of its gas from Russia but only consumes 3 billion cubic meters annually — 30 times less than lead consumer Germany, according to 2020 data from EU statistics agency Eurostat.

The Greece-Bulgaria pipeline will complement the existing European network, much of which dates to the Soviet era, when Moscow sought badly needed funds for its faltering economy and Western suppliers to help build its pipelines.

GAO questioning hundreds of COVID-19 funeral awards

By Jennifer McDermott  
Associated Press

The Federal Emergency Management Agency may have been double-billed for the funerals of hundreds of people who died of COVID-19, the Government Accountability Office said in a new report.

The GAO identified 374 people who died and were listed on more than one application that received an award from the COVID-19 Funeral Assistance fund. That amounts to about \$4.8 million in assistance that could have been improper or potentially fraudulent payments, the report said.

FEMA spokesperson Jaclyn Rothenberg said Wednesday that this was not an example of large-scale fraud and the amount of funeral assistance identified as at-risk was relatively small, with FEMA's "multi-layered internal quality controls and fraud controls" resulting in improper payments of less than 1%.

"Unfortunately, fraud, particularly identity theft, is common. FEMA has controls in place to detect instances and can and will prosecute anyone who would apply for assistance fraudulently," Rothenberg said in a statement.

FEMA told the GAO that some duplicative applications were incorrectly awarded funeral assistance due to processing errors, not fraud, and benefits were not actually paid twice in some of the cases, the report said.

The cases have been sent to the Department of Homeland Security Office of Inspector General to consider whether to launch any fraud investigations, said Chris Currie, who leads GAO's work on emergency management and disaster response and recovery, and Rebecca Shea, who oversees GAO audits to identify



FEMA may have paid out up to \$4.8 million in potentially improper or potentially fraudulent COVID-19 funeral relief, the GAO said Wednesday. CHARLES KRUPA/AP 2020

fraud, waste and abuse.

Shea said they could not confirm whether FEMA did or did not pay twice in all of the cases. She said she thinks fraudsters likely targeted the fund and some of it is data entry mistakes.

As of late last year, FEMA had awarded about \$1.5 billion in assistance in response to about 235,000 applications for nearly 237,000 people who died due to COVID-19, the report said. While the duplicates are less than 0.2% of those applications, the GAO said the findings are significant due to the possibility of improper payments and potential fraud in this disaster and future disasters.

There were only about 6,000 applications for funeral assistance after other disasters in the decade before the pandemic. Use of the program "exploded" since Congress expanded it for COVID-19 by making the \$50 billion in the Disaster Relief Fund available for such assistance, prompting GAO to do a forensic audit, Currie said.

Most of the 374 deceased individuals identified on more than one application were listed by different applicants, the GAO said. The GAO provided three examples to FEMA. According to the report, FEMA said there were processing errors and

started trying to recoup money in two of the cases in January.

About 50 deceased individuals were listed on multiple applications from the same applicant, the report said. FEMA initially said there were duplicates in the system due to a change in geographic coding and only one of the applications was paid in each case, but when the GAO provided examples, FEMA confirmed the duplicative applications were paid, the report said.

The GAO also said it identified 400 applications that received more than the maximum benefit of \$9,000 for each person who died — some up to nearly \$20,000 — for another roughly \$4.7 million in assistance that could've been improper or potentially fraudulent payments.

There were thousands of awards given in instances where there was a missing or invalid death date according to the data FEMA provided, the GAO said. Sometimes a deceased person was listed as the applicant or the date listed for the decedent was before the pandemic started, raising questions about how FEMA determined eligibility in those cases, Shea said.

"That shouldn't be happening," she said. "You know, dead can't apply for benefits."

MARKET RUNDOWN			
Tuesday, May 3, 2022			
▲ DOW	33,061.50	+84.29	
▲ 10-YR T-BOND	2.99%	+.11	
▼ GOLD	\$1,861.80	-47.50	
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Commodities			
FUELS	CLOSE	PREV.	YTD
Crude Oil (bbl)	105.17	104.69	+39.84%
Natural Gas (mm btu)	7.48	7.24	+100.40%
Unleaded Gas (gal)	3.51	3.46	+57.52%
METALS	CLOSE	PREV.	YTD
Gold (oz)	1,861.80	1,909.30	+1.88%
Silver (oz)	22.54	23.04	-3.36%
(Previous and change figures reflect current contract.)			
Foreign Exchange		Money Rates	
ForEx in U.S. \$	U.S. \$ in ForEx	CLOSE	PREV. WK.
Britain	1.2477	.8015	Prime rate 3.50 3.50
Canada	.7749	1.2906	3-mo. T-Bill 0.91 0.95
China	.1513	6.6082	6-mo. T-Bill 1.48 1.43
Euro	1.0493	.9530	5-yr T-Note 3.01 2.84
Japan	.007684	130.13	10-yr T-Note 2.99 2.82
Mexico	.048804	20.4901	30-yr T-Bond 3.06 2.89
Global Markets			
	CLOSE	CHG.	%CHG. %YTD
Frankfurt	13,939.07	-158.81	-1.13% -12.25%
London	...	...	% +2.17%
Hong Kong	21,089.39	...	% -9.87%
Nikkei	26,818.53	-29.37	-0.11% -6.85%
Domestic Indexes			
	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD
DOW Indus.	33,061.50	+84.29	-9.02%
DOW Trans.	14,910.71	+45.65	-9.51%
DOW Util.	987.17	-12.73	+6.5%
NYSE Comp.	15,609.28	-5.97	-9.06%
Nasdaq Comp.	12,536.02	+201.38	-19.87%
S&P 500	4,155.38	+23.45	-12.82%
S&P 400	2,515.14	+14.88	-11.50%
Wilshire 5000	41,635.19	+291.22	-14.09%
Russell 2000	1,882.91	+18.81	-16.14%
Stocks of Local Interest			
STOCK (TICKER)	CLOSE	CHG.	YTD %CHG
AT&T Inc (T)	19.12	+26	-22.3
Adv Micro Dev (AMD)	89.84	+4.32	-37.6
American Airlines Gp (AAL)	18.56	-.21	+3.3
Amphenol Corp (APH)	71.59	+0.9	-18.1
Annaly Capital Mgmt (NLY)	6.51	+0.9	-16.8
Apple Inc (AAPL)	157.96	+3.1	-11.0
Aterian Inc (ATER)	5.63	+5.0	+37.0
Avangrid Inc (AGR)	43.83	-.52	-12.1
Bank of America (BAC)	36.14	+4.6	-18.8
Barnes Group (B)	33.36	-.22	-28.4
Barrick Gold (GOLD)	22.16	-.15	+16.6
Better Therapeutics (BTTX)	2.01	+1.10	-56.8
BitNile Holdings Inc (NILE)	.41	+0.1	-65.5
Blue Apron Holdings (APRN)	4.04	+1.02	-40.0
Booking Holdings (BKNG)	2192.92	-17.39	-8.6
Borqs Technologies (BRQS)	.27	-.07	-28.5
Brist Myr Sqb (BMY)	75.08	-.19	+20.4
CVS Health Corp (CVS)	96.50	+3.7	-6.5
Carnival Corp (CCL)	17.35	+0.5	-13.8
Carrier Global Corp (CARR)	38.60	+3.3	-28.8
Charter Communic (CHTR)	432.54	+4.05	-33.7
Cigna Corp (CI)	246.11	-.67	+7.2
Citigroup (C)	48.71	+5.0	-19.3
Comcast Corp A (CMCSA)	40.45	+6.9	-19.6
Disney (DIS)	113.50	+1.87	-26.7
EMCOR Group Inc (EME)	105.71	-.77	-17.0
Ethan Allen (ETD)	24.67	+9.3	-6.2
Eversource Energy (ES)	86.18	-1.22	-5.3
Exxon Mobil Corp (XOM)	86.41	+1.16	+41.2
Ford Motor (F)	14.27	+1.1	-31.3
FuelCell Energy (FCEL)	4.28	+2.0	-17.7
Gen Dynamics (GD)	233.25	-3.28	+11.9
Gen Electric (GE)	75.55	+1.00	-20.0
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Rogers Corp (ROG)	272.50	+1.78	-.2
SOS Ltd (SOS)	.59	+1.7	-28.2
SS&C Technologies (SSNC)	64.74	+0.8	-21.0
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Sthwstn Energy (SWN)	7.36	-.14	+57.9
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Tellurian Inc (TELL)	4.86	-.12	+57.8
Terex Corp (TEX)	34.69	+6.9	-21.1
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Tri Pointe Homes (TPH)	20.70	+0.3	-25.8
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# ‘Ridley Road’ takes viewers to ’60s London

Series centers on Jewish hairdresser who’s undercover

By Mark Kennedy  
Associated Press

It took eight long years for Sarah Solemani to get a murky part of Britain’s post-World War II history from the pages of a book to TV screens.

She had been impressed by Jo Bloom’s 2014 novel “Ridley Road” about a Jewish-led underground anti-fascist resistance movement in London in the 1960s.

But making it into a series was hard-going at first.

“It got rejected everywhere. No one wanted to make it. It felt very niche,” she explained. Then two things happened: Brexit in England and Donald Trump in the United States. Suddenly, nativist lurches in democracies weren’t so niche.

“I just had to be relentless in pushing it. And I’m glad I did, because, actually, it reveals a lot about the country when it came out,” said the English actor, writer and activist.

“Ridley Road,” a four-part series that recently made its U.S. debut on PBS’ “Masterpiece,” takes viewers to a part of British history that they may not have known. In the early ’60s, members of the fascist National Socialist Movement held rallies in London, waving swastikas and demanding leaders “free Britain from Jewish control.”

“We like to think we’re on the right side of history,” said Solemani, who grew up in London with an Iranian father and Northern Irish mother. “We like to think of history as good guys and bad guys. And we were the good guys, and Hitler was a bad guy, and he died in the



Vivien Epstein in “Ridley Road,” a four-part series based on Jo Bloom’s 2014 novel that recently made its U.S. debut on PBS’ “Masterpiece.” **PBS**

bunker and that was the end of it. And it’s not true.”

“Ridley Road” — in the ’60s, a multicultural thoroughfare in north-east London — centers on an unconventional hero, a young Jewish hairdresser who goes undercover into the neo-Nazi movement. While her story may be fictional, the history of fascists fighting anti-fascists on the streets of London is not.

“I think what this series does is just remind us that we are constantly battling against fascism, Nazism and neo-Nazism. I think the show is very relevant because it reminds us that this is ongoing,” said Susanne Simpson, “Masterpiece” executive producer.

“This is a slice of history that certainly I didn’t

know had taken place in Britain, and I don’t think many people had known. But it’s true today. We see it happening in the U.S. and we see it happening worldwide. And what question I think Sarah was asking with the show was, ‘What are we going to do about it?’”

While set during what is considered the fun, liberating Swinging Sixties, the series explores how fascism can take hold. In the case of England, the rise of large corporations disturbing main street’s mom-and-pop stores, an influx of foreign workers to rebuild post-war Britain and the bulldozing of homes to make skyscrapers all played a part. Some vulnerable people became susceptible to the slogan “Take Our Country Back.”

“No one sets out to be

a villain of history. Everyone is setting out thinking they’re doing the best thing they can in the moment they’re in. So it tries to humanize why white working class people are susceptible and vulnerable to far-right views,” Solemani said.

Anti-fascists — working without the support of the government — used their muscle and espionage techniques such as wire-tapping and infiltration to disrupt the National Socialist Movement, which was behind synagogue arsons. Often the anti-fascists were Jewish ex-servicemen who had fought the Nazis abroad.

“They’d been at war, and they’d come home only to find Nazis on their doorstep. So in their eyes, it was muscle against muscle,

an eye for an eye. There was no other option,” said Solemani. “It’s a remarkable story of hope and sacrifice.”

The chapter in British history might have seemed very dusty and foreign to Americans until 2017 when hundreds of white nationalists descended on Charlottesville, Virginia, screaming “Jews will not replace us!” All of a sudden, “Take Our Country Back” wasn’t too far away from other nativist slogans.

The series underscores that pluralistic democracies need to be actively protected and that freedom is a privilege that shouldn’t be passively given away. As one Jewish leader says: “An anti-fascist fights. An anti-fascist does.” Still, Solemani says there are many ways to do that.

“I’m very cautious of

telling people they need to do more because people are at maximum capacity — they’re working longer hours, not earning enough,” she said. “It’s not about shaming people into doing more. It’s saying a good antidote to being overwhelmed and a good antidote to despair is action.”

Solemani, who studied politics at Cambridge University and follows resistance movements around the globe, said even small acts — demonstrating, signing petitions, writing letters — can help an individual feel useful.

“When you stand up, when you see something happening in a public space, you actually become revitalized, you’ll feel less depressed, you’ll feel less overwhelmed,” she said.

## CELEBRITIES

### Judd death alters Hall of Fame event

From news services

Ray Charles and The Judds joined the Country Music Hall of Fame on Sunday in a ceremony filled with tears, music and laughter, just a day after Naomi Judd died unexpectedly.

The loss of Naomi Judd altered the normally celebratory ceremony, but the music played on, as the genre’s singers and musicians mourned the country legend while also celebrating the four inductees: The Judds, Ray Charles, Eddie Bayers and Pete Drake. Garth Brooks, Trisha Yearwood, Vince Gill and many more performed the inductees’ hit songs.

Naomi and Wynonna Judd were among the most popular duos of the 1980s. On the eve of her induction, the family said in a statement that Naomi Judd died at age 76 due to “the disease of mental illness.”

Daughters Wynonna and Ashley Judd accepted the induction amid tears.

“I’m sorry that she couldn’t hang on until today,” Ashley Judd said of her mother to the crowd while crying. Wynonna Judd talked about the family gathering as they said goodbye to her, and she and Ashley Judd recited Psalm 23.

“Though my heart is broken I will continue to sing,” Wynonna Judd said.

Charles’ induction showcased his genre-defying country releases, which demonstrated country music’s commercial appeal. The singer and piano player grew up listening to the Grand Ole Opry and in 1962 released “Modern Sounds in Country and Western Music,” which became one of the best selling country releases of his era.

Bayers, a drummer in Nashville for decades who worked on 300 platinum records, is a member of the Grand Ole Opry band and



Wynonna Judd blows a kiss at the Country Music Hall of Fame on Sunday in Tennessee. **WADE PAYNE/INVISION**

the first drummer to join the institution.

Drake, who died in 1988, was a pedal steel guitar player and a member of Nashville’s A-team of skilled session musicians. He is the first pedal steel guitar player to become part of the Hall of Fame.

**Murray says behavior led to film’s pause:** Bill Murray on Saturday acknowledged that his behavior on set led to a complaint from a woman and the suspension of filming on his latest movie.

The actor, in his first comments about the shutdown of “Being Mortal,” described the incident as a “difference of opinion,” but declined to provide specifics on what transpired, or who it involved.

“I did something I thought was funny, and it wasn’t taken that way,” he told CNBC during an interview. “The movie studio wanted to do the right thing so they wanted to check it all out, investigate it, and so they stopped the production.”

Murray said he and the unnamed woman are talking it through and “trying to make peace with each other.”

The comedian, 71, suggested the changing

nature of what’s considered appropriate humor was a factor. “It’s been quite an education for me,” he said.

**Jolie makes surprise Ukraine visit:** Actor and U.N. humanitarian Angelina Jolie made a surprise visit to the western Ukrainian city of Lviv on Saturday, the Lviv regional governor said on Telegram.

According to Maksym Kozytsky, Jolie — who has been a UNHCR Special Envoy for Refugees since 2011 — had come to speak with displaced people who have found refuge in Lviv, including children undergoing treatment for injuries suffered in the missile strike on the Kramatorsk railway station in April.

He said Jolie also visited a boarding school, spoke with students and took photos with them.

**May 3 birthdays:** Singer Frankie Valli is 88. Sports-caster Greg Gumbel is 76. Singer Christopher Cross is 71. Actor Bobby Cannavale is 52. TV personality Willie Geist is 47. Actor Christina Hendricks is 47. Actor Dule Hill is 47. Singer Eric Church is 45. Dancer Cheryl Burke is 38. Actor Zoe De Grand Maison is 27.



## ASK AMY

By Amy Dickinson  
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### Behavior of young nephew causes concern

**Dear Amy:** I’m a clueless aunt looking for some advice. My little nephew (age 4 ½) is very smart, but seems dysregulated quite often.

He often runs around in small circles for about 10 minutes screaming and can only focus for very short amounts of times, avoids eye contact and often does not respond when spoken to directly.

We recently had a situation where his older sister (age 6) built a fort out of blankets when she wanted/needed some quiet time, and she was very happy while building it.

The little one then, of course, “wanted in” on the fort, did not want to build his own, but then stepped over the boundaries he’d promised to keep just one minute earlier.

He didn’t seem to remember what he had just promised, which of course then made his sister upset, so that, after much back and forth, she ended up crying, too.

He then threw a fit. I cannot talk to his parents about the possible need for therapeutic help, as they don’t want to address this.

His mother has a lot of issues and feels like she is under a lot of stress, but she is also not open to doing therapy.

I apologize if this sounds so uninformed, and I am grateful for any advice.  
— *Clueless Aunt*

**Dear Aunt:** I am not qualified to diagnose any particular issue with your nephew, although some of what you describe would be familiar to a person on the autism spectrum.

Your nephew’s behavior could also be explained by many other factors and dynamics in his household, including his diet, sleep schedule, as well as the inconsistent direction he might be receiving by a stressed and tired parent.

If your nephew is 4 ½, I’m assuming that he has not had any consistent in-person schooling yet. The pandemic has interrupted so many childhoods, and this little guy’s life could be transformed by regular contact with other children his age, as well as skilled teachers who would help to guide him — and his parents.

Your nephew might be exiting a stage where tantrums “worked” for him. Early childhood education is vital in guiding children toward pro-social behavior.

You could help by taking him to the playground for lots of fresh air and exercise, introducing him to the wonderful world of bugs, dinosaurs and building things with blocks and Legos. You would learn more about him by spending one-on-one time with him, listening to him, reading together and encouraging him to explore in his own way, without too much judgment or correction from you (unless he is hurting himself or another child).

**Dear Amy:** I have a large group of friends. We all have kids between the ages of 18 and 30 that technically still live at home for financial reasons. They are either in college or out in the work field.

Our friends’ adult children stay out several nights a week and sleep at their

partners’ homes — and all of them are still living at home with their parents.

No one in our friend-group allows this at our homes, but our kids say that we’re old school and that everyone does it.

There seem to be a lot of parents out there that allow this, but our group agrees it doesn’t feel right to shack up in your girlfriends’ or boyfriends’ childhood bedroom, having sex with the parents next door.

What is your opinion?  
— *Old-school Moms*

**Dear Old School:** My attitude toward this depends on the situation. If an adult child is in a long-term relationship and I know their partner, I welcome the partner to visit, and they can sleep wherever they like.

However, one sure-fire way to coax an adult toward independent living is to limit their friends’ access to the bedroom and refrigerator.

**Dear Amy:** “Mourning in Montana” was a woman whose husband of 46 years abruptly told her he was leaving her.

I thought your advice to her was compassionate and helpful, but you may have missed something: This man could be experiencing the early signs of dementia.  
— *Concerned*

**Dear Concerned:** Several readers raised this possibility.

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# Filmmaker channels Dion from age 5 to 50

By Jen Yamato  
Los Angeles Times

Valerie Lemercier wasn't all that serious when she pledged during an interview to make her next film about Celine Dion. But the more the French comedian and filmmaker kept thinking about it, the more the pop diva's life spoke to her.

"I always loved love stories," she says via video-conference from France.

Borrowing liberally from Dion's life, career and marriage to her decades-older manager, Rene Angelil, with just enough creative detours to claim artistic license, Lemercier directs herself in the musical drama "Aline" as Aline Dieu, who goes from the youngest of 14 in a close-knit French Canadian clan to world famous chanteuse on the Last Vegas strip.

Lemercier's Dieu commands the screen with numbers pulled from Dion's songbook, including "Let's Talk About Love," "All By Myself" and, yes, "My Heart Will Go On."

"Celine couldn't do a show without singing that song, which is a small jail," says Lemercier, who mounted an exhaustive search to find a Dion vocal double in singer Victoria Sio, and lends a humorous spin to the "Titanic" moment in Aline's fictional rise to stardom. "People want that one."

The film grabbed headlines out of Cannes last year thanks to Lemercier's many auteurist conceits, not the least of which is that the 58-year-old writer, director and star portrays Aline from age 5 to 50.

Using George Melies-inspired camera tricks and face-shrinking VFX, she plays the future superstar as an awkward young girl and gawky teenager with a booming voice that can't be denied.

Later, as a young adult, Aline falls for her manager and future husband, Guy-Claude Kamar (Sylvain Marcel).

The performance earned



Valerie Lemercier and Sylvain Marcel in "Aline." JEAN-MARIE LEROY/ROADSIDE ATTRACTIONS AND SAMUEL GOLDWYN FILMS

Lemercier her third Cesar Award, this one for lead actress and nominations for best film, director and original screenplay (with Brigitte Buc), in addition to "Aline" nominations for supporting actor (Marcel), supporting actress (Danielle Fichaud) and sound.

This interview with Lemercier has been edited for clarity and length.

**Q: What did you want to convey about Celine Dion in film?**

**A:** I wanted to make an homage. I wanted to say that I love Celine. I want to say that I admire Celine and Rene, of course, and her Quebecois family. I have a lot of similitude with the younger Celine. I was from a big family with a lot of kids. ... I'm often asked why I wanted to play it young. I didn't want to play

it only as a glamorous star. I wanted also to play the growing pains of adolescence.

**Q: How do you view the differences between Celine Dion and Aline Dieu?**

**A:** Aline is between Celine and me. Could be "Valine"... maybe Aline is more French if you speak very well with a Quebecois accent — you can say that mine is not very good. I decided to (focus on) the love story because for me, it's the most important thing in life. When I see old movies that I've made, I remember where I had been, was I in love, who was my lover at that moment — it's the only thing you remember at the end. For me, it's the most important thing.

**Q: The age difference between Celine and Rene**

**was controversial. How did you decide to handle that in "Aline?"**

**A:** If I cast a little girl, a 12-year-old girl, I think it would be more of a problem for the movie. In France, kid (actors) are very protected. But remember, we (Lemercier and Marcel) are each 55. I mean yes, the first relation began when she was 20. And at 20 you are able to choose. She was in love first. And I think you can see that in the movie that Rene at first doesn't want anything to do with a love story.

**Q: You portray Aline at age 5, 12 and into adulthood using camera tricks and VFX. Did that seem like a risky choice to anyone else?**

**A:** My DP (Laurent Dailland) said to me, "You can do that in theater —

onstage maybe, but not in the movie — it would not be possible." But that DP made a movie called "Didier" by Alain Chabat that has a French actor playing a dog! I said, "You made 'Didier!' That guy can be a dog, I can be a little girl." I'm known to perform solo on stage playing different characters, women, men, children. I'm always happy to play little girls, and maybe when I am 80, I will continue to do it.

**Q: The songs you selected from Celine's repertoire speak to what Aline is feeling at each moment in her life, throughout the film.**

**A:** Every song is a step of the love story. First for the mother, of course, and then for (Guy-Claude) — is it love, is it amity? I wanted all the songs to speak about the love story and how she is in love. Hearing a lot of

songs made me discover a lot of the beautiful songs from Quebec or from the U.S.A. that I didn't know. I wanted one that I couldn't have ... "Power of Love."

**Q: The way you use "My Heart Will Go On" is funny. A lot of people don't realize how she felt about her biggest hit.**

**A:** She didn't like this song, and James Cameron said, "I don't want a song in the movie!" What you hear in ("Titanic") is the demo. Sometimes she laughs about it. For me, when she sang that song perfectly, it was at the Oscars in '98 with that navy blue dress. She was so strong, so beautiful. It's really the golden age of Celine's voice.

**Q: Some of her family members have openly criticized the film for taking license with her life story. Does it matter to you what they think?**

**A:** Of course. It was very sad for me because (of) what they said, it's the contrary of all I've done. But the family is big. I have some other messages from other people of the family who were very happy with the movie.

**Q: Do you wish that you had met Celine before making "Aline?"**

**A:** I knew that if (we) met, it would only be for two minutes. I had a pass to go to her show, and I didn't use it because I was sure we would not be alone. We would have three seconds to take a picture with Celine, and I didn't want that. I wanted to meet, but not in that circumstance. Of course, I know that Celine doesn't want to see anything about her. She reads nothing. It's the same for my movie. Her Quebecois manager said she doesn't care, and the French one said she would cry. If it was me, I don't know if I would jump to see the movie. But I hope that one day she will be able to see it and to see how much I love her.

## TV Q&A

# Did Liberty Mutual actor also have role on 'Bold and Beautiful'?

By Rich Heldenfels  
Tribune News Service

**Q: Is the "struggling actor" in the Liberty Mutual insurance commercials the same man who played Finn on "The Bold and Beautiful"? And why did that show kill him off?**

**A:** That is Tanner Novlan in both cases, in the commercials (where he's famous for saying "Liberty Berty") and as the recently killed Dr. John "Finn" Finnegan on the daytime drama. That soap opera demise caught him by surprise. But, as he told Soap Opera Digest, "that's the nature of soap opera. Anything can happen at any time, and that's ultimately what keeps people engaged with the show." Besides the commercials, he expects to be back recurring on "Roswell, New Mexico," which begins a fourth season on The CW on June 6 — and has hopes for a fifth season. "You're going to see plenty of me annoying you on your TV screen," he joked.

**Q: In 2021, I accidentally came upon the movie "John Wick," and I was amazed! When is Chapter 4 going to be released?**

**A:** Keanu Reeves' laconic action character has certainly created a lot of fans in "John Wick" (2014), "John Wick: Chapter 2" (2017) and "John Wick: Chapter 3 — Parabellum" (2019). Many of us are waiting for "John Wick: Chapter 4" and will have to keep waiting. The latest release date announced for the film is March 24, 2023.

**Q: I loved the series "Major Dad" with Gerald McRaney. I cannot find it on DVD. Is it available?**

**A:** The comedy, which originally aired on CBS from 1989 to 1993, starred McRaney as a Marine



Tanner Novlan is famous for saying "Liberty Berty" in Liberty Mutual commercials. KEVIN WINTER/GETTY 2021

officer who married Polly Cooper (played by Shanna Reed), a liberal reporter and mom. I do not know of an authorized DVD set. However, you can find episodes on Netflix.

**Q: Some shows I watch are "9-1-1," "9-1-1: Lone Star," "Magnum P.I.," "Blue Bloods" and "S.W.A.T." I also like "New Amsterdam" and "Bull," but they were canceled. Will the other shows be back?**

**A:** First of all, "New Amsterdam" is not canceled; it will be back for a 13-episode final run sometime in the 2022-23 season. As for the rest, CBS recently announced another season for "Blue Bloods" and had previously picked up "S.W.A.T." No word yet on "Magnum" or on the two "9-1-1" series. The networks' full new season announcements are coming in a couple of weeks.

**Q: Will there be more episodes of the Amazon Prime Video shows "Jack Ryan," "Jack Reacher" and "Bosch"?**

**A:** Yes, yes and sort of. Before the pandemic,

Amazon ordered third and fourth seasons of "Tom Clancy's Jack Ryan," with John Krasinski set to continue as the title character. Production has reportedly finished on the third season but a release date has not yet been announced. The concisely titled "Reacher," based on Lee Child's novels, has been a big success for Amazon and a second season is in the works. "Bosch," with Titus Welliver as the police-detective hero from Michael Connelly's novels, has ended, but there is a sequel series, "Bosch: Legacy," arriving on May 6 on Freevee (the new name for IMDb TV).

**Q: In a recent column, you said the original "Bye Bye Birdie" movie was in 1961. It was 1963.**

**A:** You are correct. My apologies.

*Do you have a question or comment about entertainment past, present and future? Write to Rich Heldenfels, P.O. Box 417, Mogadore, OH 44260, or brenfels@gmail.com. Letters may be edited.*

# HOROSCOPES

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**Aries (March 21-April 19):**

Your wounds surrounding authority may be triggered today. The challenge in taking your power back is that you might not recognize your own style of leadership. Learn to take pride in holding your own without controlling and dominating others!

**Taurus (April 20-May 20):**

The support of friends can boost your confidence. Connecting with people can give you the courage to share what's on your mind. However, you might still have some inhibitions. Acknowledging that it's realistic to have mixed feelings can help you avoid getting defensive.

**Gemini (May 21-June 20):**

A collaboration might be reaching its culmination. There was always something not equal about the arrangement. Finally, the balance of power is free to shift, allowing you to have authority. Build a life that works for you, even if it includes complicated choices.

**Cancer (June 21-July 22):**

You might need to acknowledge what's bothering you in a relationship — and what to expect from the other person. While your desire for security is understandable, examining your beliefs about what people owe each other can help you build connections that will be more stable.

**Leo (July 23-Aug. 22):**

Unsnarling a dilemma regarding your time management could be possible now. The answer may involve a commitment in your life. You might feel resentful that your peers don't seem to be tied down in the same way, and perhaps your belief is justified. Accepting your reality can set you free.

**Virgo (Aug. 23-Sept. 22):**

A supportive relationship could give you confidence. However, it might be easy for you to let out your frustrations on someone safe. Even if there's a difference in power, see the other person as your equal. Working to maintain your role can keep your approach healthy.

**Libra (Sept. 23-Oct. 22):**

Positive developments in your work could help you change your home life. When you feel secure about your job, you may have the confidence to put down roots or move. If the domestic shift has no chance of happening, you have real reasons for keeping things as they are.

**Scorpio (Oct. 23-Nov. 21):**

You may be pondering how to communicate these days. Your sign's well-known passion for digging into the depths could definitely be working against you here. At this point, you can relax! When you let what makes you joyful shine through, people should respond well.

**Sagittarius (Nov. 22-Dec. 21):**

Identifying what brings you security may be important now. While material resources can help you feel protected, however, you need to use both optimism and concrete reality for the best outcome. Asking someone you trust for feedback could help you work out any bugs.

**Capricorn (Dec. 22-Jan. 19):**

Someone who wants to argue with you could drive you crazy today. Instead of getting defensive, admit when you don't know the answer. This should let you return to the topic that you're informed about. Successfully navigating such an exchange may help you gain confidence!

**Aquarius (Jan. 20-Feb. 18):**

You may be feeling a sense of financial abundance now — but you might not know what to do with it. If you're tempted to take a risk, ask yourself if you feel like you deserve this bounty. Assumptions that you're not worthy of wealth can make it hard to hold on to your resources.

**Pisces (Feb. 19-March 20):**

Subtle peer pressure could be influencing you. It may actually be a good thing, as it can keep you on the path toward goals you would want to achieve anyway. Identify whether or not you're living according to your values. Knowing your limits can help you avoid reacting fearfully.

# TODAY IN HISTORY

Associated Press

**On May 3, 1937,** Margaret Mitchell won the Pulitzer Prize for her novel, "Gone with the Wind."

**In 1960,** the Harvey Schmidt-Tom Jones musical "The Fantasticks"

began a nearly 42-year run at New York's Sullivan Street Playhouse.

**In 1979,** Conservative Party leader Margaret Thatcher was chosen to become Britain's first female prime minister.

**In 2011,** Chicago's Derrick Rose became at age 22 the NBA's youngest MVP.

**In 2016,** political outsider

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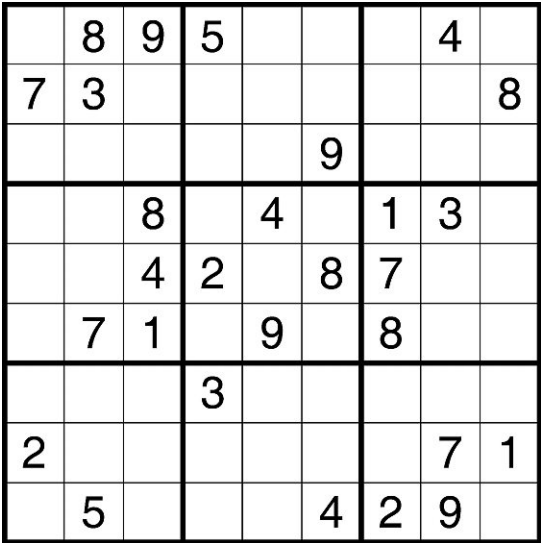
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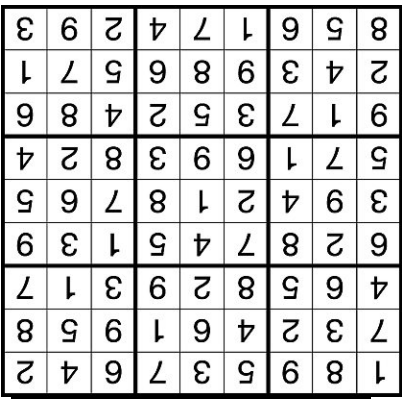
## SUDOKU



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Level: 1 2 3 4

Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box (in bold borders) contains every digit 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](https://www.sudoku.org.uk).



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## BOGGLE



By David L. Hoyt and Jeff Knurek



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BOGGLE POINT SCALE

- 3 letters = 1 point
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- 7 letters = 6 points
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- 9+ letters = 15 points

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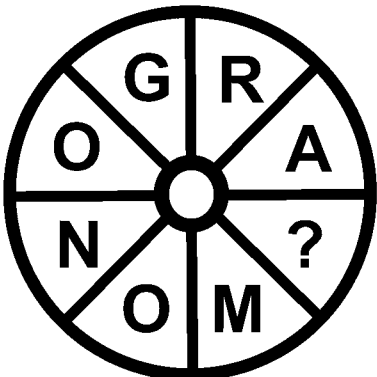
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- 31-60 = Gamer
- 21-30 = Rookie
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- 0-10 = Try again

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Find AT LEAST SIX MAMMALS in the grid of letters.

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\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

APE LION MULE TLAMK PANDA CAMEL

## WordWheel



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## WORD SEARCH

### Wordsearch: A to D

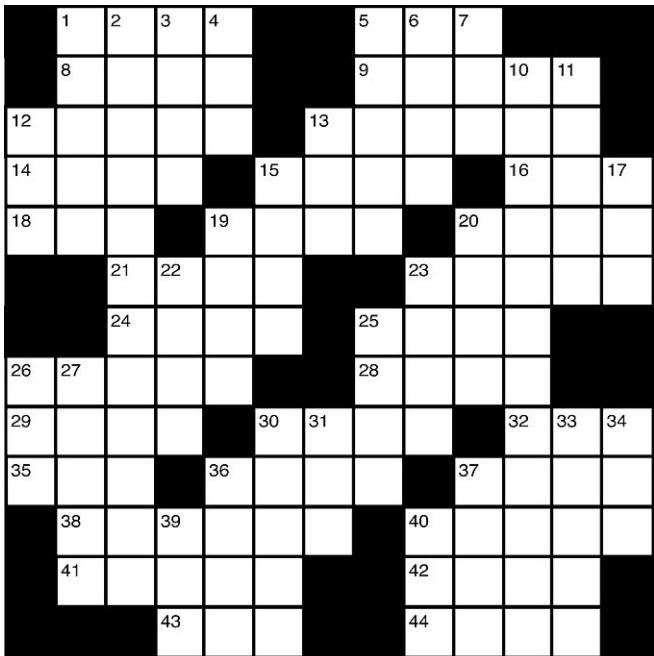
Can you find all the words hidden in the grid? Read backwards or forwards, up or down, or diagonally. The words will always be in a straight line. Cross them off the list as you find them.



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ABDUCTED	ADORED	AMAZED	ARRIVED
ABROAD	AFFORD	AMEND	ASCEND
ABSCOND	AFRAID	AMID	ASKED
ABSURD	AGED	ANCHORED	ASTOUND
ACHED	AGREED	ANGLED	ATTEND
ACID	AHEAD	ANISEED	AVID
ACRID	AILED	APED	AVOID
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## TV CROSSWORD

by Jacqueline E. Mathews

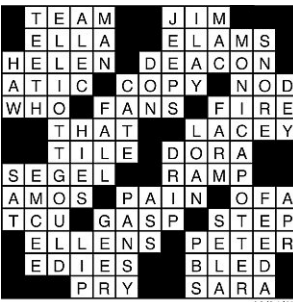


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### ACROSS

- "SEAL \_\_\_\_"
- Parsons of "The Big Bang Theory"
- Singer Fitzgerald
- Actor Jack of old westerns and his family
- Hayes or Hunt
- Jay Harrington's role on "S.W.A.T."
- Suffix for symptom or problem
- "Hard \_\_\_\_"
- Wynken, Blynken and \_\_\_\_
- "Samantha \_\_\_\_?"
- Groupies
- "Chicago \_\_\_\_"
- "\_\_\_\_ '70s Show"
- "Cagney & \_\_\_\_"
- Scrabble piece
- "\_\_\_\_ the Explorer"
- Actor on "How I Met Your Mother"
- Freeway entrance
- John of "Good Times"
- Kidney stone symptom
- "Men \_\_\_\_ Certain Age"



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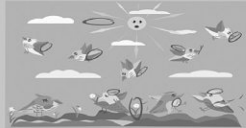
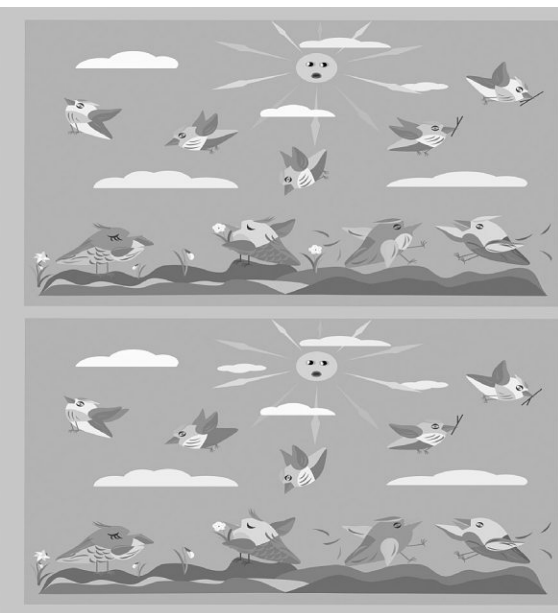
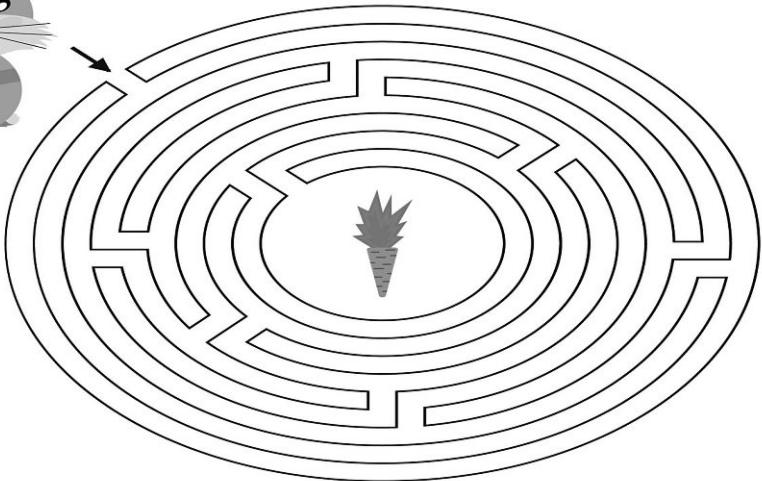
### DOWN

- Molars and canines
- Actor on "9JKL"
- Sir \_\_\_\_ Guinness
- "Last \_\_\_\_ Standing"
- Early four-wheel drives
- "Now \_\_\_\_ me down to sleep. I pray the Lord..."
- "The Bernie \_\_\_\_ Show"
- Actress on "Wisdom of the Crowd"
- Night noise
- "Hee \_\_\_\_"
- Adams or Johnson
- Actress Blanchett
- Susan of "L.A. Law"
- "The \_\_\_\_ Guy"
- Home for Oliver and Lisa on "Green Acres"
- Goes quickly
- Bank offering
- Faucet problem
- Part of the weekend: abbr.
- Sajak or Trebek
- Colorful garden flower
- Beast of burden
- "Starve a cold, \_\_\_\_ fever"
- Four months from now: abbr.
- Grandpa's portrayal on "The Waltons"
- Actress Ward
- Cold sore site
- Network that broadcasts "Ask This Old House"

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### Maze Game

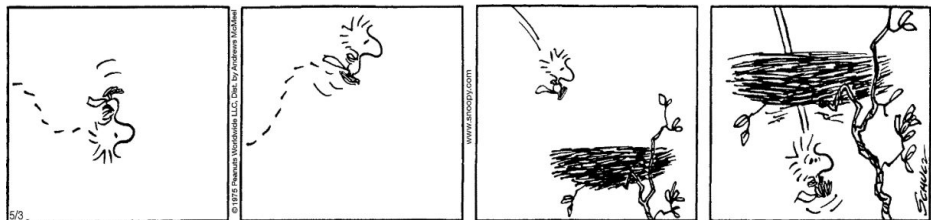
Help little hare to find the carrot



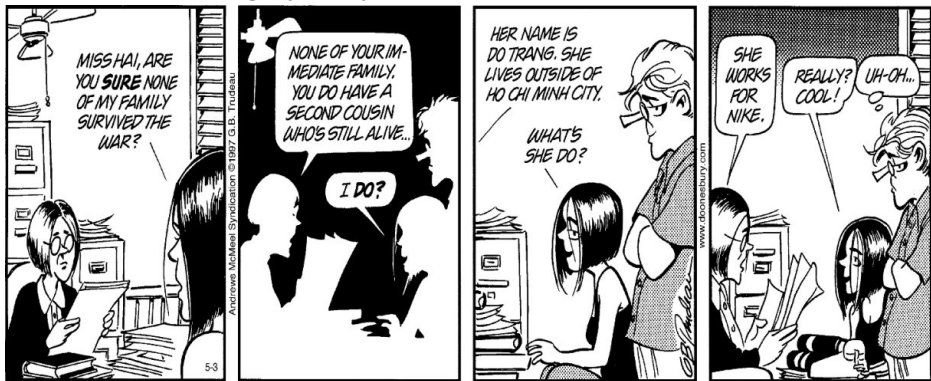
Find 10 differences



Peanuts By Charles M. Schulz



Classic Doonesbury By Garry Trudeau



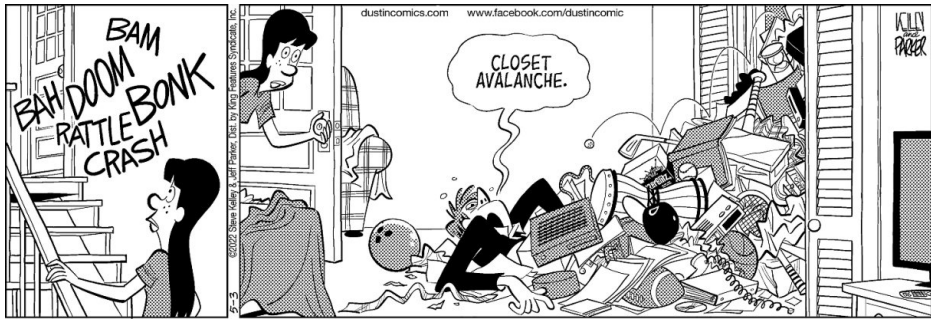
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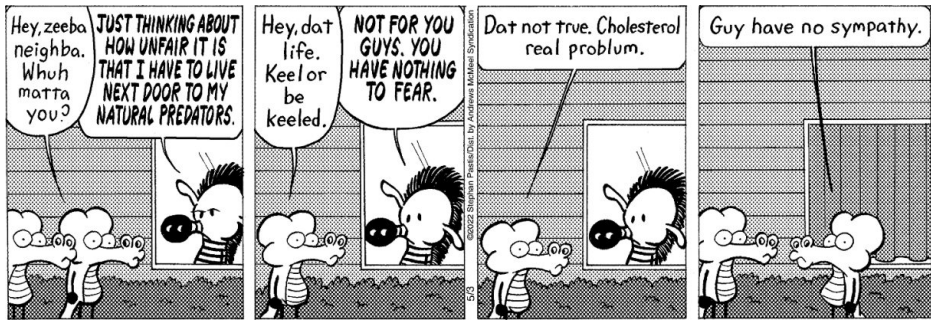
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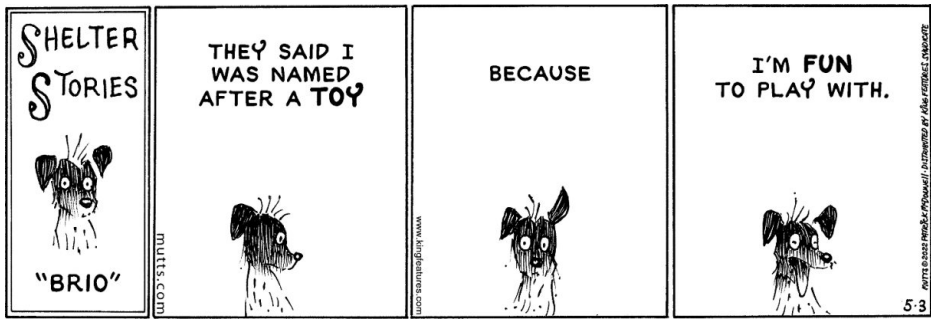
Dustin By Steve Kelley & Jeff Parker



Pearls Before Swine By Stephan Pastis



Mutts By Patrick McDonnell



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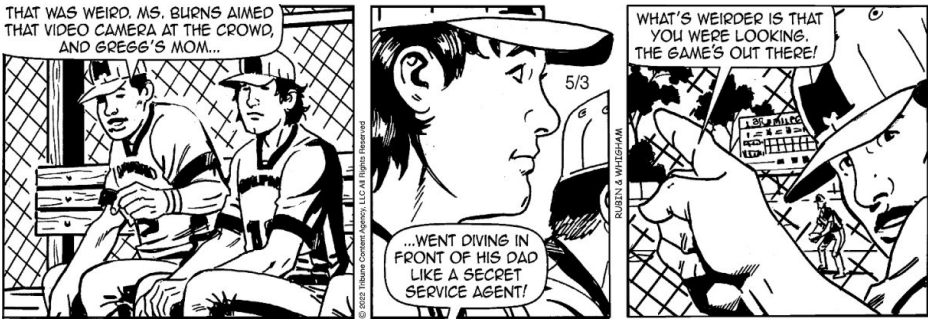
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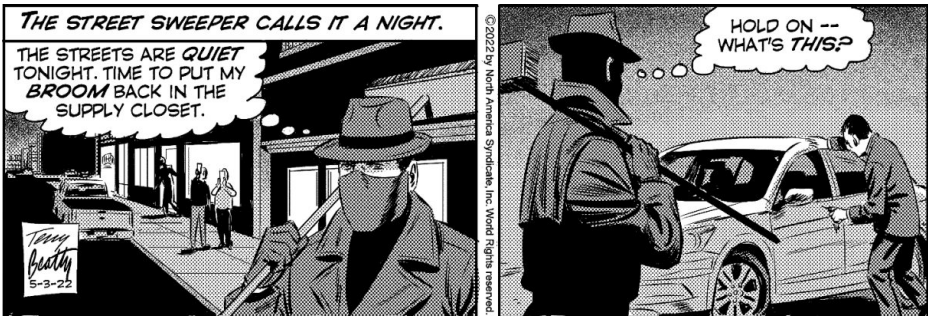
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Mary Worth By Karen Moy and June Brigman



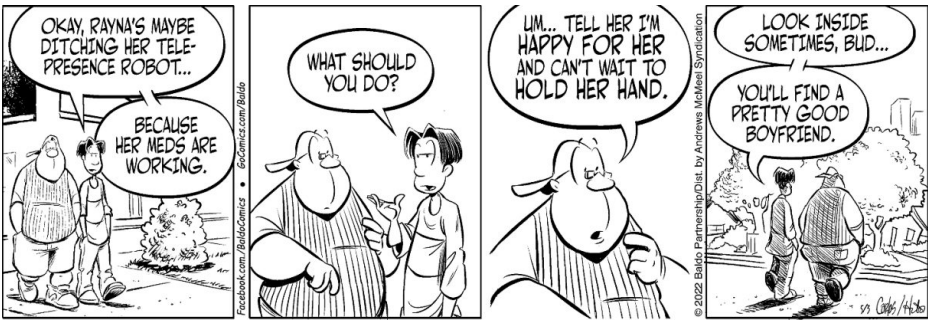
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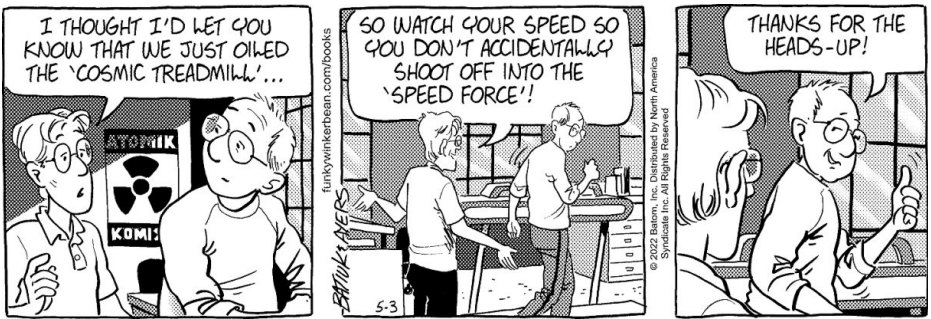
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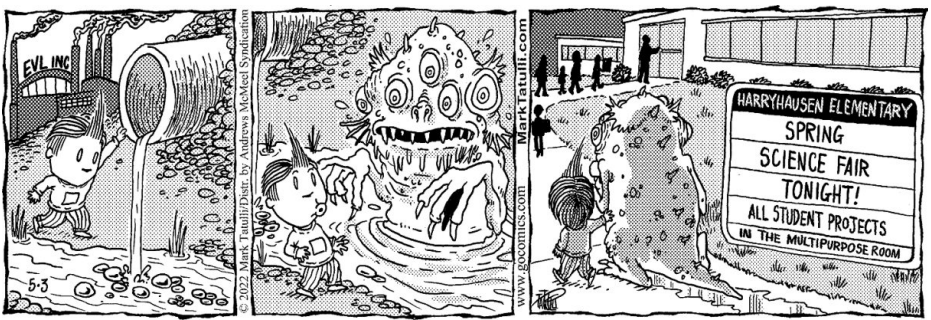
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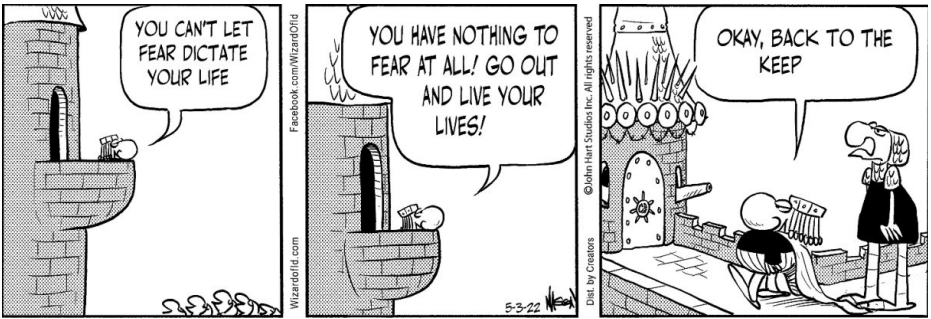
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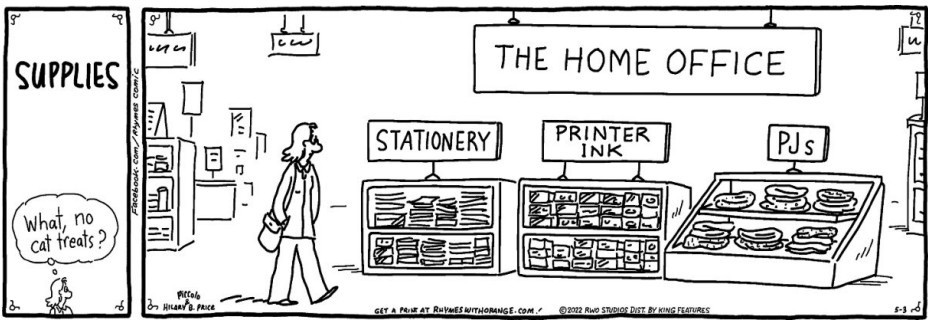
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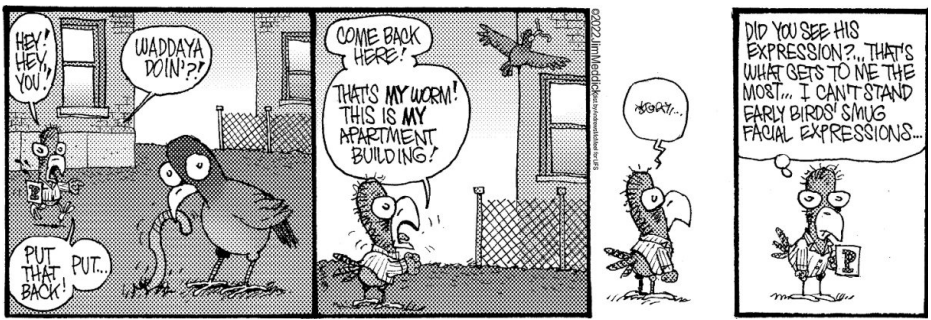
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Rhymes With Orange By Hilary Price



Monty By Jim Meddick





For Better Or For Worse By Lynn Johnston



B.C. By Hart



Beetle Bailey by Mort, Greg & Brian Walker



Hi & Lois By Greg and Brian Walker and Chance Browne



Hagar The Horrible By Chris Browne



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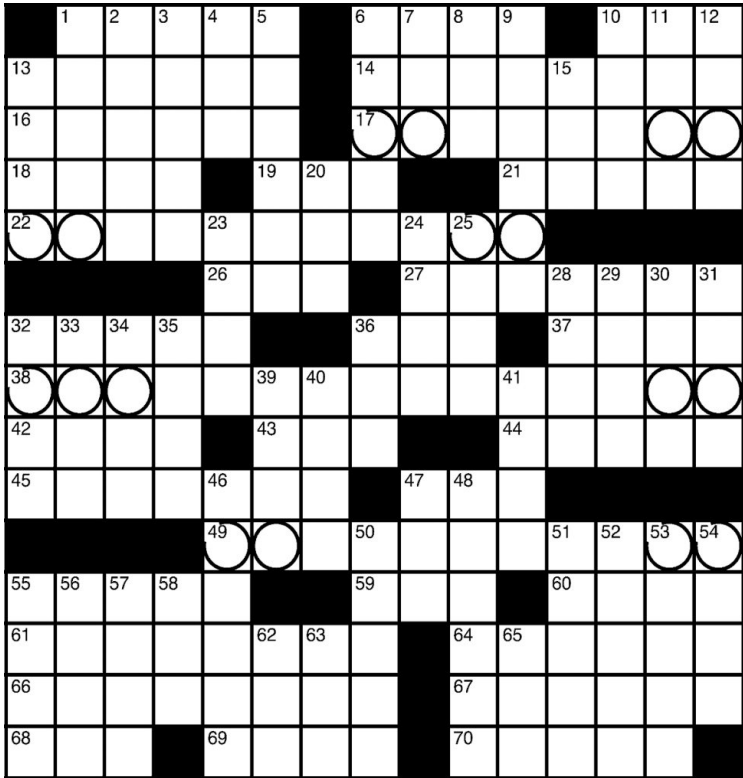
Mother Goose And Grimm By Mike Peters



CROSSWORD

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- Across**
- 1 Prickly desert plants
  - 6 Oolong and rooibos
  - 10 "The Problem With \_\_\_": documentary about Indian stereotypes on "The Simpsons"
  - 13 In order to
  - 14 Puts on edge
  - 16 Springs for dinner
  - 17 "Almost!"
  - 18 Distant
  - 19 "Gorillas in the Mist" animal
  - 21 Answering to
  - 22 Bargain hunter's event
  - 26 Dairy farm animal
  - 27 Majestic homes
  - 32 As good as it gets
  - 36 News inits.
  - 37 \_\_\_ Beds National Monument
  - 38 Rush hour woe
  - 42 Actress Falco
  - 43 "I'm \_\_\_ ears!"
  - 44 Iona College athletes
  - 45 Major plot twist in "The Wizard of Oz"?
  - 47 Happy \_\_\_ clam
  - 49 Lingers
  - 55 Permit
  - 59 Syst. with hand gestures
  - 60 Away from shore
  - 61 Items found on library shelves, and what are literally found in each set of circled letters
  - 64 Ludicrous
  - 66 Response to someone saying 65-Down, perhaps
  - 67 Hairstyle that may be maintained by a professional "loctician"
  - 68 Had a bite
  - 69 Relay race segments
  - 70 "R u for real?"
  - 9 Title with a "II," maybe
  - 10 Passionate
  - 11 Transportation Secretary Buttigieg
  - 12 Icon tapper
  - 13 Polaris or Betelgeuse
  - 15 Part of RBI
  - 20 Chapel bench
  - 23 Rights advocacy org.
  - 24 Datebook entry: Abbr.
  - 25 Wild animal's home
  - 28 Communi-cations code word for "A"
  - 29 Casual eatery
  - 30 Really, really bad
  - 31 Biological pouches
  - 32 "Rhyme Pays" rapper
  - 33 Knucklehead
  - 34 Dubai dignitary
  - 35 "Right on!"
  - 36 http follower
  - 39 "And here it is!"
  - 40 Musk of SpaceX
  - 41 Seaweed gelatin
  - 46 "Can't be helped"
  - 47 Pack animal
  - 48 Light lunches
  - 50 "Oh my gosh!" reactions
  - 51 Fertile desert spots
  - 52 Garden-variety
  - 53 Square
  - 54 Both parents, in some families
  - 55 "Mamma Mia!" pop group
  - 56 Boor
  - 57 Only
  - 58 Approved, briefly
  - 62 Word before a maiden name
  - 63 Really grooved on
  - 65 "It's c-c-cold"



By Catherine Cetta Tribune Content Agency 5/3/22

BRIDGE

BY STEVE BECKER

North dealer.

Both sides vulnerable.

**NORTH**

♠ Q 9

♥ Q 10 6

♦ A K Q 7 6

♣ 9 3 2

**WEST**

♠ 6 4 2

♥ 8 4 3

♦ 10 8

♣ Q J 10 8 5

**SOUTH**

♠ A K J 10 7 5

♥ A 7 5 2

♦ 5 4

♣ A

**EAST**

♠ 8 3

♥ K J 9

♦ J 9 3 2

♣ K 7 6 4

The bidding:  
**North** East South West  
1 ♠ Pass 2 ♠ Pass  
3 ♦ Pass 3 ♠ Pass  
4 ♠ Pass 6 ♠ Pass  
Opening lead — queen of clubs.

Seeking the percentage play

If one method of play offers a 55% chance for the contract, and another method offers a 65% chance, declarer should certainly opt for the latter approach.

This principle arises in almost every deal in bridge and is the backbone of good declarer play. The difficulty in applying the principle is, first, that declarer may be unaware that an alternative method of play exists and, second, even if he is aware, that he may not know which play offers the better chance of success.

Consider this deal where South wins the club lead, plays three rounds of trump and cashes the A-K-Q of diamonds, hoping for a 3-3 division. When this does not materialize, he ruffs a diamond and plays the ace and another heart toward dummy's Q-10. As the cards lie, he finishes

down one. This is somewhat unlucky, since South had about a 75% chance of making the slam by adopting this approach.

Now let's examine a different line of play, which might easily be overlooked. After drawing trump, declarer leads a diamond at trick five and plays low from dummy!

This guarantees 12 tricks — six spades, a heart, four diamonds and a club — if the diamonds are divided 3-3 or 4-2, failing only when the suit splits 5-1 or 6-0.

In deciding which of the two lines of play to adopt, it is obviously helpful for declarer to know how often the diamonds can be expected to divide 3-3 or 4-2. The combined probability is 84%, so deliberately conceding a diamond trick is the better method of play.

**Tomorrow:** Accidentally on purpose.

JUMBLE

BY DAVID HOYT AND JEFF KNUREK

Unscramble these Jumbles, one letter to each square to form four ordinary words.

LCXEE  
SCAEE  
PCNOOH  
PSIRTC

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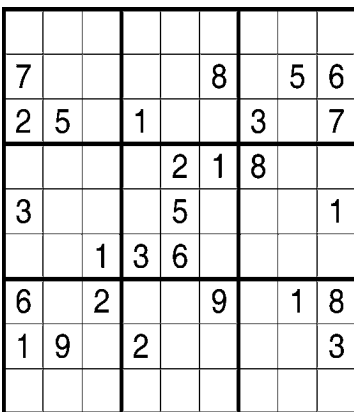
HER JOKE ABOUT HER HUSBAND'S HIGH CREDIT CARD BALANCE WAS ---

Now arrange the circled letters to form the surprise answer, as suggested by the above cartoon.

(Answers tomorrow)

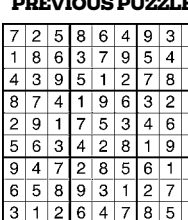
Yesterday's Jumbles: POKER DRESS CASINO SLEEPY  
Answer: After seeing his new car's first door ding, he experienced a little — DEPRESSION

TODAY'S SUDOKU



Complete the grid so each row, column and 3-by-3 box in bold borders) contains every digit, 1 to 9. For strategies on how to solve Sudoku, visit [www.sudoku.org.uk](http://www.sudoku.org.uk)

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# SPORTS

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NBA PLAYOFF CELTICS VS. BUCKS

## Smart questionable for critical Game 2

Up next



**Bucks at Celtics**  
Game 2  
7 p.m., TNT  
■ More on playoffs, **Page 4**

By Mark Murphy  
Boston Herald

BOSTON — Marcus Smart has a bruised right quad — banged multiple times during Game 1 against the Bucks — that has affected his availability for Game 2 Tuesday night at TD Garden.

Celtics coach Ime Udoka said the point guard is questionable because of the injury, which has been an issue for some time.

“He got a pretty bad quad contusion,” Udoka said after Monday’s practice. “Got hit twice I think during the game, and he’s a tough guy that’s going to try to play through things, and we’ll give them some treatment today and see how he feels tomorrow, but he’ll be listed as questionable.”

Smart, who has enjoyed the best season of his career now that Udoka has made him

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Celtics guard Marcus Smart, left, passes the ball as Bucks center Bobby Portis (9) and guard Grayson Allen, right, try to defend in Game 1 of a second-round series Sunday in Boston. **STEVEN SENNE/AP**

YANKEES

## Vaccinated club brings full roster, win streak to Toronto

Associated Press

TORONTO — All members of the New York Yankees’ active roster were permitted to cross the border into Canada for a three-game series in Toronto against the Blue Jays beginning Monday night, indicating they are vaccinated against COVID-19.

“This is obviously what I had hoped for,” manager Aaron Boone said. “Fortunate that we’re in the position that we’re all able to be here.”

Canada’s government requires a person must have received a second vaccine dose — or one dose of Johnson & Johnson — at least 14 days prior to entry.

During spring training, Yankees slugger Aaron Judge refused to directly answer a question about his vaccine status.

Boone had previously said he would speak to unvaccinated players to stress the importance of being available for games against the Blue Jays this season. Boone acknowledged having such conversations, but would not elaborate on them.

“I had some conversations at times with guys. I’ll just kind of leave it at that,” he said. “I feel strongly that this is very much a personal choice. Certainly, whatever happened, I was going to respect whatever choice anyone made in that regard.”

The Yankees began the day with a nine-game winning streak and the best record in the majors at 16-6. Judge has hit five home runs in his last five games.

Last week, the Boston Red Sox had to put pitchers Tanner Houck and Kutter Crawford on the restricted list before a four-game series in Toronto. The Red Sox lost three of four.

AL East opponents make three trips across the border each season. The Yankees return to Toronto in June and again in September.

Players who go on the restricted list because they are unvaccinated against COVID-19 do not get paid and do not accrue major league service

Turn to *Yankees*, Page 2

NHL PLAYOFFS HURRICANES 5, BRUINS 1



The Hurricanes’ Seth Jarvis celebrates after scoring a goal against the Bruins in the second period of Game 1 on Monday night in Raleigh, North Carolina. **GRANT HALVERSON/GETTY**

## An ugly start to playoffs

Bruins overwhelmed by intense Hurricanes

By Steve Conroy  
Boston Herald

RALEIGH, N.C. — When the Bruins beat the Carolina Hurricanes in the 2019 and 2020 playoffs, the ‘Canes looked like a promising young team that just did not know how to win in the spring yet.

Carolina’s time may have arrived.

The Bruins failed to capitalize on a dominant opening 10 minutes to the game, and the ‘Canes scored two late second-period goals to seize control of Game 1 of their first playoff series, beating the Bruins 5-1 and holding serve at PNC Arena on Monday. It was the B’s fourth loss in as many tries against the ‘Canes this season.

Seth Jarvis and Nino Niederreiter scored 2:10 apart late in the second to send the ‘Canes on their way while the B’s piled up shots, but not enough second-chance



The Hurricanes’ Nino Niederreiter collides with the Bruins’ Brad Marchand in front of Bruins goaltender Linus Ullmark in the first period of Game 1 on Monday in Raleigh, N.C. **KARL B DEBLAKER/AP**

opportunities.

In a scoreless first period, the Bruins were all over the ‘Canes in the early going, at one point holding a 13-4 shot advantage. They got an early power play when Brady Skjei shot the puck over the glass,

and the Bruins did have some chances, but they could not beat Antti Raanta, thrust into action because of the lower body injury to Frederik Andersen. The best chance came when the power play was winding down and a

Craig Smith shot trickled between Raanta’s pads, but Jake DeBrusk couldn’t get there to jam home the loose puck before it was pulled off the goal line by Carolina defenders and Raanta covered it.

But the Hurricanes got their motor going, thanks to a couple of Bruin penalties.

The Bruins finally got on the board early in the third. Charlie McAvoy went in deep to win a puck behind the net. It squirted out to Erik Haula, who made a terrific pass out high to Taylor Hall, who buried a one-timer past Raanta at 2:53 to cut the deficit to 2-1.

They couldn’t get any closer. The ‘Canes regained their two-goal lead at 7:02. Hall took a shot from the right side that missed the net and rimmed out on the other side. Matt Grzelcyk pinched down the left side side but could not get the puck and Vincent Trocheck took off on a 2-on-1 with Teravainen against Brandon Carlo. Trocheck was able to get his pass past Carlo and Teravainen beat Ullmark with a high shortside wrist.

WNBA

## Preseason performances from Huskies around the league

By Lila Bromberg  
Hartford Courant

Preseason WNBA action is underway for former UConn players across the league, with the regular season set to start this week.

For rookies Olivia Nelson-Ododa and Evina Westbrook, it’s been a chance to prove themselves deserving of a roster spot on their respective teams, the Los Angeles Sparks and Seattle Storm.

For veteran players, many of whom were returning from seasons overseas or are still in the process of doing so, these contests are an opportunity to get back into

Inside

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- Napheesa Collier signs multiyear contract extension with Minnesota Lynx. **Page 2**

the rhythm with their teams and familiarize themselves with new players and coaching staffs.

Nelson-Ododa played a little over 15 minutes for the Sparks in a preseason win over the Phoenix Mercury on Saturday. She recorded eight points, six rebounds

Turn to *Huskies*, Page 2



Sophomore Lukas Phimvongsa of Enfield-Somers-Aerospace co-op returns during a No. 1 singles tennis match against Tolland at Enfield High School on Friday. **JESSICA HILL/SPECIAL TO THE COURANT**

HIGH SCHOOL BOYS TENNIS

## Enfield still undefeated, with a little help from its friends

By Lori Riley  
Hartford Courant

ENFIELD — The Enfield boys tennis team only had six players last year. Even though the players were good, the Eagles had to forfeit two matches against each opponent because they didn’t have enough people.

Enfield’s No. 1 and No. 3 players, brothers Lukas and Brandon Phimvongsa, play at the Enfield Tennis Club. Some of their friends at the club went to Aerospace, which didn’t have a team. They wondered if their friends would like to join Enfield in a co-operative team, as Somers

was already doing.

Their friends said yes, and in April, four Aerospace tennis players were there on the Enfield High courts.

“I had no idea how good they were,” Enfield coach Kim Bender said Friday.

Junior Justin Ho slotted in at No. 2 singles. Mahath Gaddipati, another junior from Aerospace, plays at No. 4. Enfield’s top four singles players are all undefeated, as are the No. 1 and 2 doubles teams.

Friday, the Eagles defeated Tolland 6-1 to go to 8-0.

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SPORTS

UP NEXT

**Celtics:** NBA Second Round vs. Bucks (Game 2), Tuesday, 7 p.m.; NBA Second Round at Bucks (Game 3), Saturday, 3:30 p.m.; NBA Second Round at Bucks (Game 4), May 9, 7:30 p.m.  
**Bruins:** NHL First Round at Hurricanes (Game 2), Wednesday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round vs. Hurricanes (Game 3), Friday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round vs. Hurricanes (Game 4), Sunday, 12:30 p.m.  
**Rangers:** NHL First Round vs. Penguins (Game 1), Tuesday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round vs. Penguins (Game 2), Thursday, 7 p.m.; NHL First Round at Penguins (Game 3), Saturday, 7 p.m.  
**Red Sox:** Angels, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Angels, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Angels, Thursday, 1:30 p.m.  
**Yankees:** at Blue Jays, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; at Blue Jays, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Rangers, Friday, 7 p.m.  
**Mets:** Atlanta (2), Tuesday, 3 p.m.; Atlanta, Wednesday, 1 p.m.; at Phillies, Thursday, 6:45 p.m.  
**Yard Goats:** Binghamton, Tuesday, 7 p.m.; Binghamton, Wednesday, 7 p.m.; Binghamton, Thursday, 7 p.m.  
**Hartford Athletic:** Loudoun United, Saturday, 7 p.m.; N.Y. Red Bulls II, May 14, 7 p.m.; at Tulsa, May 21, 8:30 p.m.

TV/RADIO

**BASEBALL**  
**3 p.m.:** Braves at Mets (2). (Live) SNY. Radio: 880  
**7 p.m.:** Charlotte at North Carolina. (Live) ACC  
**7 p.m.:** Louisville at Vanderbilt. (Live) SEC  
**7 p.m.:** Yankees at Blue Jays. (Live) YES MLB. Radio: 97.9  
**7 p.m.:** Angels at Red Sox. (Live) NESN. Radio: 1080  
**10 p.m.:** Giants at Dodgers. (Live) TBS  
**BASKETBALL**  
**7 p.m.:** Bucks at Celtics. (Live) TNT  
**9:30 p.m.:** Warriors at Grizzlies. (Live) TNT  
**HOCKEY**  
**7 p.m.:** Penguins at Rangers. (Live) ESPN, MSG  
**7:30 p.m.:** Capitals at Panthers. (Live) ESPN2  
**9:30 p.m.:** Predators at Avalanche. (Live) ESPN  
**10 p.m.:** Stars at Flames. (Live) ESPN2  
**SOCCER**  
**2:30 p.m.:** UEFA Champions League Villarreal vs. Liverpool. (Live) UNI  
**SOFTBALL**  
**5 p.m.:** Liberty at Virginia Tech. (Live) ACC  
**TENNIS**  
**6 a.m.:** Madrid-ATP/WT, Early Rounds. (Live) TENNIS

Enfield

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“I’m a little bit [surprised about being undefeated], and a little not,” said Lukas Phimvongs, a sophomore who is ranked No. 1 in USTA New England in the 14U age group. “I knew we were all great players. I knew we all had the potential, but it’s just in terms of doing it, right? I’m glad we have great chemistry.”

Bender, Enfield’s assistant field hockey coach, is in her second year coaching the tennis team. She is not a tennis player, she said. In fact, when the boys tried to teach her to play last year, it didn’t go well.

“Let’s just say I’m better at organizing,” she said, laughing. “I organize them, and then my top players will do drills — I say, ‘OK guys, I saw that we need to work on serves — let’s come up with a drill for serves or forehands.’”

“They come up with the drills and run the drills and they help each other. I have three kids who have never played before and they’ll split up and take them, ‘OK, this is the form; this is how you do this,’ so they’re coaching each other.”

So far it’s worked out well. Enfield has qualified for the state tournament already. The Eagles have

beaten teams they lost to last year — they beat Southington 7-0 after losing 7-0 to the Blue Knights last season and they’ve beaten Granby and Conard too.

“We’re glad to be able to play together,” Ho said. “It’s honestly a stroke of luck. They said, ‘We can’t field a whole team,’ and there were four of us who really wanted to play. We did not have a team.”

“It’s fun. Great friendships.”

Taylor Byo, a senior from Somers, also plays at the Enfield Tennis Club. When she moved to Somers in the middle of her junior year, she had to play with the boys because the Enfield girls don’t have a co-op with Somers. She had so much fun last year, she came back this season and plays No. 2 doubles.

“We had six people [last year], but I had a really good time,” Byo said. “It wasn’t what I expected at all. I talked to my mom about pushing for a girls co-op, but they’re my team. And we’re doing really well this year.”

This week will be a big test: Enfield will face undefeated Hall on Wednesday and unbeaten Ellington on Friday.

“We’re looking forward to it,” Ho said.

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time.

**Gallo held of Monday’s lineup:** Yankees left fielder Joey Gallo was on the field and hit after batting practice Monday, but he was out of the starting lineup for the second straight day. Gallo left Saturday’s game in Kansas City with a “tight left groin,” and is day-to-day.

“So he was doing better today. And actually, yesterday was an OK day, but

METS

Showalter serves 1-game suspension Monday night

By Mike Fitzpatrick  
Associated Press

NEW YORK — Mets manager Buck Showalter was suspended for Monday’s series opener against the Atlanta Braves after Major League Baseball determined New York reliever Yoan López intentionally threw at Philadelphia slugger Kyle Schwarber the previous night.

López, optioned to Triple-A Syracuse following Sunday night’s victory, received a three-game ban that starts whenever he returns to the active big league roster. If he appeals, the penalty would be delayed until the process

is completed.

Michael Hill, baseball’s senior vice president for on-field operations, announced the discipline about 20 minutes before the first pitch of New York’s game against Atlanta at Citi Field — the initial meeting this season between the NL East rivals.

Bench coach Glenn Sherlock, pitching coach Jeremy Hefner and hitting coach Eric Chávez were set to fill in for Showalter, who also missed a game last month for a medical procedure.

Showalter was suspended for one game and fined.

YARD GOATS

By Dom Amore  
Hartford Courant

Ezequiel Tovar, the top Colorado Rockies prospect assigned to the Hartford Yard Goats, is on a roll and living up to his preseason hype.

Tovar, 20, was named the Double-A Eastern League Player of the Week after going 11-for-23 (.478) with two home runs, two triples, four RBIs and six runs scored during the Yard Goats’ six-game series in Harrisburg. The Goats (11-10) won four of six.

Tovar, from Venezuela, is on the Rockies’ 40-man roster and is considered the organization’s shortstop of the future after the departure of Trevor Story. Through 20 games, he is leading the Eastern League with 26 hits, hitting .342 with five homers and 14 RBIs, a 1,090 on-base-plus-slugging mark and going 7-for-7 in steals.

The Yard Goats return home this week to play six games against the Binghamton Rumble Ponies (6-14), a team loaded with the New York Mets’ top prospects.

Here’s what you need to

know about the series:

Probable starters and promotions

**Tuesday, 7:05 p.m.:** Hartford RHP Mitch Kilkenney vs. Binghamton RHP Jose Butto  
**Promotion:** Kids jersey giveaway  
**Wednesday, 7:05 p.m.:** Hartford LHP Nick Bush vs. Binghamton RHP Jose Chacin  
**Promotion:** Star Wars Night  
**Thursday, 7:05 p.m.:** Hartford RHP Noah Davis vs. Binghamton RHP Alex Valverde  
**Promotion:** Pride Night  
**Friday, 7:05 p.m.:** RHP Karl Kauffman vs Binghamton RHP Alec Kisen  
**Promotion:** Robotics Night  
**Saturday, 6:05 p.m.:** Hartford TBA vs. Binghamton RHP Drew Griffin  
**Promotion:** Postgame Fireworks Show  
**Sunday, 1:05 p.m.:** Hartford Kilkenney vs. Butto

How to watch/listen

Radio — FM 100.9 or AM

UConn ATHLETICS

Akok transferring to Georgetown

Staff reports

Former UConn men’s basketball forward Akok Akok announced on Instagram Monday that he will transfer to Big East rival Georgetown.

Akok has two years of eligibility remaining. He played three seasons at UConn but saw his minutes lessen over the 2021-22 season. He averaged 3.4 points, 3.2 rebounds and 14.9 minutes but struggled with consistency after tearing an Achilles tendon during the 2019-20 season.

The former five-star recruit came to UConn after spending 2 ½ years at Putnam Science Academy.

Akok came to UConn as a top-100 recruit in the Class of 2019 and showed promise, averaging 5.8 points, 5.5 rebounds and 2.6 blocks in 25 games in his freshman season before sustaining the Achilles injury.

Akok is the final of the four UConn transfers to find a new home. He’s the second Husky to transfer intraconference. Former guard Corey Floyd Jr. transferred to Providence in April. Last week, guard Jalen Gaffney joined Florida Atlantic University. In early April, guard Rahsool Diggins transferred to UMass.

UConn played Georgetown twice last season, a 96-73 win on Jan. 25 and an 86-77

win on Feb. 27. The Hoyas were 6-24 overall and finished last in the conference with an 0-19 record.

Both teams will play twice this upcoming season.

UConn football lands transfer from Michigan

UConn has lured a Power Five prospect back home to Connecticut.

Jack Stewart, a big, powerful lineman from New Canaan High, is transferring from Michigan and committed to the Huskies and new coach Jim Mora on Monday night.

“I’m coming home,” Stewart said, in announcing his decision via Twitter.

Stewart, 6 feet 4 and 314 pounds, was one of the top linemen in Connecticut, and, playing on both sides of the line, helped New Canaan to the state final in 2015, ’16 and ’18. He played for Lou Marinelli, whose son, John, is on Mora’s staff.

Stewart, a junior, was at Michigan for three seasons, but never saw any game action. At UConn, where upgrading the offensive line has been a point of emphasis, he should get his chance to play. The Huskies play at Michigan on Sept. 17.

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and a steal. Through two preseason games, the 6-foot-5 forward/center has averaged 11.5 points, 9.0 rebounds and 2.5 assists.

Of the other UConn products on the Sparks and Mercury, Katie Lou Samuelson (overseas), Diana Taurasi and Kia Nurse (rehabbing torn ACL) did not play. Tina Charles did suit up for the Mercury, though, notching four points and a steal in a little over 10 minutes.

The Mercury also played a preseason game last Thursday against another UConn-filled squad, the Seattle Storm. Once again, Charles was the only Husky to take the floor for Phoenix. In just under 21 minutes, she scored 16 points on 7 of 13 shooting and grabbed six rebounds.

Breanna Stewart also scored 16 points in that game to lead all Storm players, doing so in just over 23 minutes while also recording seven rebounds, four assists and two blocks. Stewart has only played an average 22.5 minutes through two preseason games but has put up ridiculous numbers in those short stretches, averaging 18.0 points, 5.0 rebounds and 4.0 assists.

Sue Bird played nearly 20 minutes in that 82-78 win for the Storm over the Mercury after sitting out the first preseason game. She scored nine points on 3 of 6 shooting, also adding four assists. Westbrook had her best performance of her young career, scoring 15 points in less than 17 minutes, including the game-winner. She went 3 of 4 on 3-point attempts and also recorded four rebounds, two assists and a crucial block.

Gabby Williams was not in action for Seattle in that game but was expected to arrive to training camp from her season overseas shortly after.

Elsewhere around the

over the weekend: Elihuris Montero, who hit 22 homers in Hartford last season, was promoted from Triple A to the majors.

Mets prospects to watch

The Mets assigned their three top prospects to Binghamton this season. Catcher Francisco Alvarez is hitting .241 with four home runs and 13 RBIs in 16 games. Shortstop Ronny Mauricio is hitting .294 and with three homers, 10 RBIs and four steals. Infielder Brett Baty is hitting .279 with a homer and five RBIs, the homer at Dunkin’ Donuts Park on Opening Day.

Rumble Ponies fact

The Mets purchased the franchise in 1991 and moved it to Binghamton in 1992. It has been their Double-A affiliate ever since.

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Celtics

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the starting point guard and full-time initiator of the offense, has generally played through the injury this season.

On Sunday, after running off the floor at one point in the first quarter to have the quad and a right shoulder “stinger” treated, Smart returned only to aggravate the quad injury during a third quarter collision. He remained on the floor long after play had gone down to the other end of the floor, before slowly walking back to midcourt.

**White looks to rebound:** Derrick White spent extra time working on his floater Monday after missing two open layups in a rough start to his Game 1 experience. Though he caught a late-game groove with two 3-pointers, White, like his teammates, has to find a better way of attacking Milwaukee’s paint-packing defense.

league, Crystal Dangerfield came back from finishing her season overseas in Israel and played 11 ½ minutes for the Minnesota Lynx in a preseason game against the Las Vegas Aces on Sunday. The 5-5 guard had six points, two assists and two rebounds, and the Lynx, who won 89-86, outscored the Aces by 14 when Dangerfield was on the floor. Fellow UConn alum Kiah Stokes, a center for the Aces, didn’t compete in that game and is a late arrival to training camp due to overseas commitments.

Also on Sunday, Megan Walker played around 19 minutes for the Atlanta Dream in a 94-78 loss to the Connecticut Sun. She had two points and three rebounds. Tiffany Hayes, another late arrival to training camp because of her season overseas, didn’t play.

The Chicago Sky and Indiana Fever played a preseason game on Saturday, but former Huskies Azurá Stevens (Sky) and Bria Hartley (Fever) didn’t play. A preseason contest between the New York Liberty and Washington Mystics was canceled, so center Stefanie Dolson hasn’t had the chance to compete in game action yet either.

The WNBA regular season kicks off on Friday, with Huskies on the rosters of teams in all four games: Indiana Fever vs. Washington Mystics (7 p.m. ET, Facebook), Los Angeles Sparks vs. Chicago Sky (8 p.m. ET, NBA TV), Las Vegas Aces vs. Phoenix Mercury (10 p.m. ET, NBA TV) and Minnesota Lynx vs. Seattle Storm (10 p.m. ET). The two games on Saturday also have UConn players: Connecticut Sun vs. New York Liberty (6 p.m. ET, ESPN) and Atlanta Dream vs. Dallas Wings (8 p.m. ET, CBSN).

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BASEBALL

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
New York	16	6	.727	—	—	9-1	W-9	10-3	6-3
Toronto	15	8	.652	1 ½	—	7-3	W-2	9-4	6-4
Tampa Bay	12	10	.545	4	—	6-4	L-2	9-7	3-3
Boston	9	14	.391	7 ½	3 ½	3-7	L-2	3-4	6-10
Baltimore	8	14	.364	8	4	4-6	W-2	5-4	3-10

CENTRAL	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Minnesota	13	9	.591	—	—	9-1	W-2	8-4	5-5
Cleveland	10	12	.455	3	2	3-7	W-3	3-3	7-9
Chicago	9	13	.409	4	3	3-7	W-1	7-6	2-7
Detroit	7	14	.333	5 ½	4 ½	3-7	L-1	4-8	3-6
Kansas City	7	14	.333	5 ½	4 ½	2-8	L-4	5-8	2-6

WEST	W	L	PCT	GB	WCGB	L10	STR	HOME	AWAY
Los Angeles	15	9	.625	—	—	7-3	L-1	8-5	7-4
Seattle	12	10	.545	2	—	5-5	W-1	7-2	5-8
Houston	11	11	.500	3	1	5-5	L-2	2-4	9-7
Oakland	10	12	.455	4	2	3-7	L-3	4-6	6-6
Texas	8	14	.364	6	4	5-5	W-2	4-9	4-5

BOX SCORES

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Kansas City	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Olivares rf	4	0	1	0	1	.292
Merrifield 2b	4	0	0	0	0	.151
Benintendi lf	3	0	1	0	0	.365
Perez c	4	0	0	0	1	.185
Santana 1b	4	0	2	0	0	.159
1-Isbel pr	0	0	0	0	0	.231
Dozier dh	4	0	0	0	2	.225
Witt Jr. 3b	3	0	1	0	1	.221
Taylor cf	3	0	0	0	2	.196
Lopez ss	3	0	0	0	1	.224
TOTALS	32	0	5	0	8	
St. Louis	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG

Bader cf	4	0	0	0	1	.232
Goldschmidt 1b3	1	2	1	0	0	.296
O'Neill lf	3	0	0	0	1	.171
Arenado 3b	2	0	0	0	0	.386
Dickerson dh	3	0	0	0	1	.159
DeJong ss	3	0	0	0	0	.138
Carlson rf	3	0	1	0	0	.181
Knizner c	3	0	0	0	0	.273
Donovan 2b	3	0	1	0	1	.182
Sosa 2b	2	0	0	0	0	.160
TOTALS	27	1	4	1	4	

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St. Louis 100 000 00x — 1 4 0

1-ran for Santana in the 9th.  
**LOB:** Kansas City 6; St. Louis 3. **2B:** Olivares (2), Santana (3), Carlson (4).  
**HR:** Goldschmidt (2), off Greinke.  
**RBI:** Goldschmidt (11).

**Runners left in scoring position:** Kansas City 2(Benintendi, Witt Jr.); St. Louis 1(Bader).

**RISP:** Kansas City 0for 4; St. Louis 0 for 3.

**GIDP:** Bader. **DP:** Kansas City 1(Lopez, Merrifield, Santana).

KANSAS CITY	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Greinke, L, 0-2	6	3	1	1	0	1	2.57
Snider	1	0	0	0	1	1	2.89
Clarke	1	1	0	0	2	0	0.90

ST. LOUIS	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Matz, W, 3-1	6	4	0	0	0	4	4.56
Whitley, H, 1	1	0	0	0	2	1	1.17
Wittgren, H, 4	1	0	0	0	0	2	1.16
Gallegos, S, 5-6	1	1	0	0	0	2	5.62

**Pitches-Strikes:** Greinke 88-66; Snider 15-9; Clarke 21-17; Matz 94-65; Whitley 17-14; Wittgren 15-9; Gallegos 18-13

**Batters Faced:** Greinke 20; Snider 4; Clarke 4; Matz 23; Whitley 3; Wittgren 3; Gallegos 4.

**HBP:** Matz (Benintendi).

**Umpires:** Home, Edwin Moscoso; First, Adam Hamari; Second, Hunter Wendelstedt; Third, Chad Whitson.  
T: 2:40. A: 33,963(45,494).

AMERICAN LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING AVG	G	AB	R	H	AVG.
J.Crawford Sea	22	78	13	29	.372
Bogaerts Bos	22	84	14	31	.369
Benintendi KC	21	74	7	27	.365
Trout LAA	19	64	17	22	.341
Ramirez Cle	22	82	13	28	.344
France Sea	22	87	12	28	.333
Anderson ChW	18	72	12	24	.333
Neuse Oak	20	67	7	22	.328
Meadows Det	19	69	8	22	.319
Franco TB	20	83	14	26	.313

**HOME RUNS:** Rizzo, New York, 9; Judge, New York, 8; Buxton, Minnesota, 7; Ramirez, Cleveland, 7; Alvarez, Houston, 6; Trout, Los Angeles, 6; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 6; Springer, Toronto, 6; Ward, Los Angeles, 5; Kepler, Minnesota, 5; S.Perez, Kansas City, 5; France, Seattle, 5.  
**RBI:** Ramirez, Cleveland, 28; Rizzo, New York, 21; France, Seattle, 21; A.Garcia, Texas, 18; Guerrero Jr., Toronto, 16; Judge, New York, 16; Marsh, Los Angeles, 15; Tucker, Houston, 15.

**RUNS:** Ohtani, Los Angeles, 17; Straw, Cleveland, 17; Trout, Los Angeles, 17; Judge, New York, 16; Springer, Toronto, 16; Ward, Los Angeles, 16; Rizzo, New York, 15; Bogaerts, Boston, 14; Devers, Boston, 14; Franco, Tampa Bay, 14; Frazier, Seattle, 14; A.Garcia, Texas, 14; Kiner-Falefa, New York, 14.

**HITS:** Bogaerts, Boston, 31; J.Crawford, Seattle, 29; Devers, Boston, 29; France, Seattle, 29; Ramirez, Cleveland, 28; Benintendi, Kansas City, 27; Franco, Tampa Bay, 26; N.Lowe, Texas, 26; Anderson, Chicago, 24; Gurriel Jr., Toronto, 24; Judge, New York, 24; Springer, Toronto, 24; Straw, Cleveland, 24.

**DOUBLES:** Gurriel, Houston, 9; O.Miller, Cleveland, 9; Arozarena, Tampa Bay, 8; Bogaerts, Boston, 8; Franco, Tampa Bay, 8; K.Hernandez, Boston, 8; J.Martinez, Boston, 8; Devers, Boston, 7; Hays, Baltimore, 7; Larnach, Minnesota, 7; S.Murphy, Oakland, 7; Ramirez, Cleveland, 7; Trout, Los Angeles, 7.  
**TRIPLES:** Gimenez, Cleveland, 2; J.Lowe, Tampa Bay, 2; Meadows, Detroit, 2; 22 tied at 1.

**STOLEN BASES:** J.Rodriguez, Seattle, 9; Mateo, Baltimore, 7; Mondesi, Kansas City, 5; Robert, Chicago, 5; Straw, Cleveland, 5.

**PITCHING:** Gilbert, Seattle, 4-0; Manoh, Toronto, 4-0; Cimber, Toronto, 4-0; Blackburn, Oakland, 3-0; Lorenzen, Los Angeles, 3-1; Ryan, Minnesota, 3-1; Bundy, Minnesota, 3-1; 8 tied at 2-0.

**ERA:** Gilbert, Seattle, 0.64; Ryan, Minnesota, 1.17; Manohaf, Toronto, 1.44; Verlander, Houston, 1.73; Keller, Kansas City, 2.51; Greinke, Kansas City, 2.57; McKenzie, Cleveland, 2.70.

**STRIKEOUTS:** McCLanahan, Tampa Bay, 42; Gausman, Toronto, 41; Eovaldi, Boston, 32; Montas, Oakland, 31; Ohtani, Los Angeles, 30; Bieber, Cleveland, 29, through Sunday

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LA Angels	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG
Ward rf	4	0	1	0	2	.390
Marsh cf	4	0	0	0	2	.267
Trout dh	4	0	0	0	4	.324
Walsh 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.221
Mayfield 3b	3	0	0	0	1	.278
Suzuki c	3	0	1	0	2	.200
Adell lf	3	0	0	0	2	.231
Wade 2b-ss	2	0	0	0	1	.286
Velazquez ss	2	0	0	0	1	.146
a-Ohtani ph	1	0	0	0	0	.226
Fletcher 2b	0	0	0	0	0	.182
TOTALS	29	0	2	0	15	
White Sox	AB	R	H	BI	SO	AVG

Anderson ss	4	1	1	0	0	.329
Robert cf	4	1	3	0	1	.246
Pollock lf	4	0	0	1	0	.206
Abreu dh	3	1	1	0	0	.224
Grandal c	3	0	0	0	0	.154
Burger 3b	2	0	0	1	2	.323
Engel rf	3	0	1	1	1	.205
Sheets 1b	3	0	0	0	0	.222
Harrison 2b	3	0	1	0	0	.182
TOTALS	29	3	7	3	4	

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a-grounded out for Velazquez in the 8th.

**E:** Adell (3). **LOB:** Los Angeles 3, Chicago 6. **2B:** Ward (4), Engel (3), Harrison (4).

**RBI:** Pollock (3), Burger (6), Engel (1).

**SB:** Wade (3). **SF:** Burger.

**Runners left in scoring position:** Los Angeles 2(Walsh, Marsh); Chicago 3(Engel, Pollock, Sheets).

**RISP:** Los Angeles 0for 4; Chicago 0 for 6.

**Runners moved up:** Pollock.

**GIDP:** Abreu. **DP:** Los Angeles 1 (Velazquez, Wade, Walsh).

LA AMGE:S

LA AMGE:S	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Sandoval, L, 1-1	6	6	3	3	3	2	1.29
Mayers	2	1	0	0	0	2	6.48

WHITE SOX

WHITE SOX	IP	H	R	ER	BB	SO	ERA
Cease, W, 3-1	7	1	0	0	0	11	2.48
Graveman, H, 5	1	1	0	0	0	1	1.46
Hendriks, S, 5-6	1	0	0	0	0	3	4.82

**Pitches-Strikes:** Sandoval 96-57; Mayers 32-20; Cease 93-64; Graveman 20-10; Hendriks 12-9.

**HBP:** Cease (Wade).

**Umpires:** Home, Sean Barber; First, David Rackley; Second, Larry Vanover; Third, Dan Bellino.  
T: 2:39. A: 13,112(40,615).

NATIONAL LEAGUE LEADERS

BATTING AVG	G	AB	R	H	AVG.
Hosmer SD	21	76	10	29	.382
M.Machado SD	23	88	20	33	.375
McNeil NYM	21	72	13	26	.361
Arenado STL	21	78	12	28	.359
Bell Was	23	77	13	27	.351
Grichuk Col	17	65	10	22	.338
Hayes Pit	21	72	11	24	.333
Freeman LAD	21	81	14	25	.309
Edman STL	21	72	13	22	.306
Happ CHC	21	66	11	20	.303

**HOME RUNS:** Cron, Colorado, 8; Schwarber, Philadelphia, 7; Pederson, San Francisco, 6; Arenado, St. Louis, 6; Riley, Atlanta, 6; Albies, Atlanta, 6; Profar, San Diego, 5; Renfro, Milwaukee, 5; C.Walker, Arizona, 5; Adames, Milwaukee, 5.  
**RBI:** Cron, Colorado, 21; Arenado, St. Louis, 18; T.Turner, Los Angeles, 18; Alonso, New York, 18; S.Marte, New York, 18; Schwarber, Philadelphia, 16; M.Machado, San Diego, 16; Chisholm Jr., Miami, 15; Suzuki, Chicago, 15; Profar, San Diego, 15; Bell, Washington, 15; Harper, Philadelphia, 15.  
**RUNS:** Betts, Los Angeles, 21; M.Machado, San Diego, 20; Harper, Philadelphia, 18; Soto, Washington, 18; Adames, Milwaukee, 15; Estrada, San Francisco, 15; Realmuto, Philadelphia, 15; Blackmon, Colorado, 14; Freeman, Los Angeles, 14; C.Hernandez, Washington, 14; Joe, Colorado, 14; Lindor, New York, 14.

**HITS:** M.Machado, San Diego, 33; Hosmer, San Diego, 29; Arenado, St. Louis, 28; C.Hernandez, Washington, 28; Bell, Washington, 27; McNeil, New York, 26.

**DOUBLES:** Olson, Atlanta, 9; E.Escobar, New York, 8; Arenado, St. Louis, 7; K.Farmer, Cincinnati, 7; Harper, Philadelphia, 7; M.Machado, San Diego, 7; McNeil, New York, 7; Riley, Atlanta, 7; Wisdom, Chicago, 7; 11 tied at 6.

**TRIPLES:** Chisholm Jr., Miami, 3.

**STOLEN BASES:** Bader, St. Louis, 6; Edman, St. Louis, 5.

**PITCHING:** Musgrove, San Diego, 4-0; Scherzer, New York, 4-0; Megill, New York, 4-0; Wright, Atlanta, 3-0; Kuhl, Colorado, 3-0; P.Lopez, Miami, 3-0; Kershaw, Los Angeles, 3-0; Rodon, San Francisco, 3-0; Peters, Pittsburgh, 3-0; Webb, San Francisco, 3-1; Buehler, Los Angeles, 3-1; Bassitt, New York, 3-1; Matz, St. Louis, 3-1.

**ERA:** P.Lopez, Miami, 0.39; Wright, Atlanta, 1.13; Bumgarner, Arizona, 1.17; Rodon, San Francisco, 1.17; M.Kelly, Arizona, 1.27; Mikolas, St. Louis, 1.52; Kuhl, Colorado, 1.90; Burnes, Milwaukee, 1.93; Lauer, Milwaukee, 1.93; Megill, New York, 1.93.

**STRIKEOUTS:** Burnes, Milwaukee, 43; Scherzer, New York, 42; Rodon, San Francisco, 38; Lauer, Milwaukee, 34; Aa.Nola, Philadelphia, 34; Wright, Atlanta, 34; Musgrove, San Diego, 33; Gray, Washington, 31; Kershaw, Los Angeles, 30; Manaea, San Diego, 30, through Sunday

STRIKES THROWN, 2022

PITCHER	TM	SO	PIT	STR
Kevin Gausman	TOR	41	437	327
Max Scherzer	NYM	42	473	324
Corbin Burnes	MIL	43	490	316
Nathan Eovaldi	BOS	32	439	312
Walker Buehler	LAD	26	455	303
Joe Musgrove	SDP	33	434	303
Miles Mikolas	STL	25	447	301
Logan Gilbert	SEA	27	468	300
Logan Webb	SFG	20	449	300
Sean Manaea	SDP	30	448	299
Frankie Montas	OAK	31	456	299
Sandy Alcantara	MIA	26	475	296
Robbie Ray	SEA	26	450	294
Jordan Lyles	BAL	21	457	293
Cole Irvin	OAK	18	431	291
Player	Team	SO	Pit	Str
Aaron Nola	PHI	34	419	287
Shane Bieber	CLE	29	442	286
Eduardo Rodriguez	DET	23	445	284
Adam Wainwright	STL	26	453	284
Merrill Kelly	ARI	26	429	282
Shane McCannahan	TBR	42	409	278
Kyle Gibson	PHI	26	441	275
Tylor Meggin	NYM	27	441	272
Dane Dunning	TEX	26	425	269
Yu Darvish	SDP	25	433	268
Kyle Freeland	COL	21	415	267
Marcus Stroman	CHC	22	423	265
Framber Valdez	HOU	19	437	265
Shane Severino	NYM	23	406	264
Zach Eflin	PHI	18	411	263
Josiah Gray	WSN	31	440	263
Tyler Mahle	CIN	24	415	261
Jose Berrios	TOR	20	384	258
Taylor Hearn	TEX	24	409	258
Mitch Keller	PIT	21	389	257
Gerrit Cole	NYM	27	404	256
Joan Adon	WSN	21	421	254
Carlos Rodon	SFG	38	378	254
Nick Privetta	BOS	21	395	252
Madis Bumgarner	ARI	15	395	248
Eric Lauer	MIL	34	370	248
Chris Bassitt	NYM	26	382	247
Patrick Corbin	WSN	23	401	244
Kyle Hendricks	CHC	21	412	243
Kyle Wright	ATL	34	360	243
Zach Davies	ARI	16	402	242
Alek Manoah	TOR	25	360	240
Triston McKenzie	CLE	24	380	240
Justin Verlander	HOU	28	434	240
Brandon Woodruff	MIL	19	368	240
Dylan Cease	CHW	28	361	237
Elieser Hernandez	SD	20	352	236
Daniel Lynch	KCR	20	351	236
Miguel Lopez	MIA	24	350	232
Max Fried	ATL	21	344	232
Tarik Skubal	DET	20	345	231
Steven Matz	STL	23	329	225
Nestor Cortes	NYM	28	333	223
Erick Fedde	WSN	19	354	223
German Marquez	COL	14	326	223
Michael Lorenzen	LAA	14	361	222
Alex Wood	SFG	19	336	220
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# NATIONAL SPORTS REPORT

## SHORTS

### Mets cut Cano with \$45M left on deal



Robinson Canó was cut Monday by the Mets with nearly \$45 million remaining on his contract, ending an ill-fated marriage and perhaps signaling the end of his decorated major league career. The slumping Canó was designated for assignment in a move announced about an hour before teams were required to trim their active rosters from 28 players to 26. Relegated to a part-time role this season, Canó was a casualty of the crunch as the first-place Mets chose to keep younger, more versatile bench players instead. The 39-year-old Canó, who sat out last season while serving his second suspension for performance-enhancing drugs, is batting .195 (8-for-41) with one home run, three RBIs and a paltry .501 OPS in 43 plate appearances. He has appeared in just 12 of 23 games. An eight-time All-Star and two-time Gold Glove winner, Canó spent his first nine seasons with the Yankees and helped them win the 2009 World Series. He has won five Silver Slugger awards. Canó has a .302 career batting average with 335 home runs, 1,305 RBIs and an .842 OPS in 17 seasons. He has 2,632 hits, including 571 doubles.

### Cardinals' Hopkins gets 6-game ban



The Cardinals are going to have to figure out a way to score points and win games without their top receiver. Three-time All-Pro DeAndre Hopkins was suspended without pay for six games for violating the NFL's policy on performance-enhancing substances, the league announced Monday. It's a stunning blow for the Cardinals, who finished with an 11-6 record last season but faded down the stretch when Hopkins was out of the lineup because of injuries. The Cardinals had an 8-2 record when Hopkins was in the lineup and just a 3-5 mark, including the playoffs, when he was not. Hopkins, who turns 30 next month, played in 10 games last season, catching 42 passes for 572 yards and eight touchdowns. He missed much of the last half of the season, including the team's playoff loss to the Rams, because of hamstring and knee injuries. Hopkins has been one of the league's most productive receivers during his nine-year career, which includes six 1,000-yard seasons. He played his first seven seasons with the Texans before being traded in 2020 to the Cardinals.

### Back on clay, Murray wins in Madrid



The moment the ball hit the net on match point, Andy Murray turned to his team and started celebrating profusely, jumping, pumping his fists and yelling. It was clear it meant more than just another first-round win. In his first match on clay in nearly two years, Murray defeated Dominic Thiem 6-3, 6-4 to advance to the second round of the Madrid Open on Monday. It was his first win on clay since 2017. "I put in lots and lots of work, you know, this last little period," said Murray, who has battled injuries in recent years. "I wanted to go out and put on a good performance. I have had some doubts and stuff about my own game at times over this last period, but I do feel like I have started to play some better tennis." Playing as a wild card, the former No. 1 and three-time Grand Slam winner broke Thiem once in each set and made only 13 unforced errors on center court. Murray, 34, hadn't played on clay since the 2020 French Open. He won the Madrid title in 2008 and 2015. Thiem, the former No. 3-ranked player, has been recovering from a wrist injury that sidelined him for eight months. —AP



The Avalanche, considered legit contenders to win the Stanley Cup, know the playoffs will have ups and downs . GETTY FILE

## NHL PLAYOFFS

# Reality check: It's tough

Takes 'a little bit of luck,' so much more to win Cup

By Stephen Whyno  
Associated Press

The path to the Stanley Cup is rarely a straight line. Sometimes it's the direction a puck takes when it banks off the post and in — or out.

Four years ago, Artemi Panarin clanked a shot off the post late in regulation that could have put the Blue Jackets up three games to none in the first round against the Capitals. Lars Eller scored, the Caps won the series and went on to lift the Stanley Cup.

Andre Burakovsky looks back now and acknowledges he and the Caps got some lucky bounces on the way to their first championship in franchise history. Now with the Avalanche, he's well-aware that's just one part of what it takes for a playoff team to get over the hump and win it all.

"It's so hard to win the Stanley Cup," Burakovsky said. "You're going to need a little bit of luck and you're going to need everyone in your team to be extremely dialed in and sacrificing and doing whatever it takes to win."

The NHL is full of title contenders that turn out to be pretenders and plenty of success stories about teams that figure it out and get the job done.

As the playoffs began Monday night, Burakovsky and the Aves, the Hurricanes and the Presidents' Trophy-winning Panthers are among the teams looking to make the leap — a challenge that is part good health and great luck but more about figuring out how to ride the roller coaster of wins and

losses through four rounds.

"Once you commit to something, be it the defensive part of the game or whatever was holding you back and you commit to it and you break through, then it becomes easier because you know what's there," said Barry Trotz, who coached the Caps to the Cup. "It's almost like climbing Mount Everest. You want to do it, you think you can do it and then you actually have to do it and you get to a certain place."

Players and coaches who have won the Cup or reached the final described that climb as a combination of consistency, confidence and the right combination of goaltending and timely scoring.

The Lightning certainly had all that when they won back to back the last two years. In 2021, they eliminated the Panthers in the first round, Hurricanes in the second round and Trotz's Islanders in the Eastern Conference final.

Ken Daneyko, who won the Cup with the Devils three times, pointed to a penalty by Sam Bennett that cost the Panthers last year. Hurricanes defenseman Jaccob Slavin said special teams were the difference against the Lightning and in their previous playoff exits to the Bruins.

Five of the last six champions have finished top five on the power play or penalty kill in the playoffs.

Rod Brind'Amour, who captained the Hurricanes to the Cup in 2006 and coaches them now, said getting strong goaltending and keeping guys in the lineup are among the keys.

"... You've got to be healthy," Brind'Amour said. "If your top guys are out, it's going to be hard."

Brind'Amour and the Hurricanes go into the playoffs with a double whammy there: starting goalie Frederik Andersen is injured. Penguins goalie Tristan Jarry is also out, while the Caps' Alex Ovechkin and Panthers' Jonathan Huberdeau are among the other top players banged up at the start of the postseason.

Some Cup champions overcame injuries, like the Blues losing Robert Thomas in 2019 and the Lightning winning again after Alex Killorn went out during the 2021 final.

When the Penguins fired Mike Johnston early in the 2015-16 season, Mike Sullivan took over and told players to forget about what happened the previous game or outside the rink and "just play." Several months later, they won the first of consecutive Cup titles that veteran defenseman Ian Cole credits to that mindset.

"We had so much confidence," said Cole, who's now with the Hurricanes. "We would lose, go down in a series and it was like, 'OK, go win the next one.'"

"It's just a confidence and a consistent game plan. I think it's having the right mindset and knowing how to win and not getting rattled if you don't."

No matter how the hockey happens, the key is getting to the playoffs to have a chance to win. Among recent Cup champs, the Lightning have made the playoffs eight of the last nine years, Blues 10 of 11, Caps nine of 10 and Penguins 16 in a row.

"You have to get there as much as possible and breaks are going to happen," Blues GM Doug Armstrong said. "You need health, couple breaks and then ride it as far as you can."

## NBA PLAYOFFS

# Curry-Morant duel already delivering

By Teresa M. Walker | Associated Press

MEMPHIS, Tenn. — Ja Morant was rolling, making acrobatic drives to the basket.

Stephen Curry was taking and knocking down step-back 3s.

Yes, the All-Star guards got plenty of help in Game 1 of the Grizzlies-Warriors Western Conference semifinal series, but they didn't disappoint in the opener of their highly anticipated showdown.

"Oh yeah, friendly competition, just enjoying the moment," Curry said after the third-seeded Warriors took Game 1 on Sunday 117-116. "Understanding the big play. He had it going you know, he was going to try to get pressure on the rim, and it's trying to do my part obviously."

There's no question two-time NBA MVP Curry and the league's most improved player in Morant did their parts.

Morant was nearly unstoppable. After scoring with Jonathan Kuminga defending him, Morant emphatically proclaimed: "He. Can't. Guard. Me." For stretches, it appeared no one was to be able to defend Morant, who came close to a triple-double with 34 points, 10 assists and nine rebounds.

But down the stretch Curry — who had 24 points and was 5 of 12 outside the arc — and the Warriors found a way.

Known more for his offense as a two-time scoring champ, Curry had a huge block as he swatted away a layup attempt by Morant with 20 seconds left. Teammate Klay Thompson had the big defensive play, forcing Morant to miss the would-be game-winning layup as time expired.

"Every game it's going to be kind of a one-on-one type of situation," Curry said. "Taking on all those challenges, you're going to win some, you're going to lose some. Now obviously you just be ready for when your moment happens on the defensive end."

Morant said he simply missed the layup at the buzzer, but he had it going from 3-point range, hitting as many (four) as he did in all of the first round against Minnesota. If that continues, he will be even tougher to contain.

Thompson said Morant making 3s forces opponents to pick their poison with his speed to the basket. Morant led the NBA in scoring in the paint, averaging 16.6 points a game during the regular season.

"When he gets in the lane and gets other guys involved, that's when they're really dangerous," Thompson said. "We just tried to limit his impact around the rim because obviously he's one of the best NBA when it comes to finishing down there and kicking out the 3-point shooters."

Warriors coach Steve Kerr agrees. The Warriors spent the last few days figuring out how to best defend Morant, and that's why Gary Payton II started the first game of this series, to help defend the Grizzlies guard.

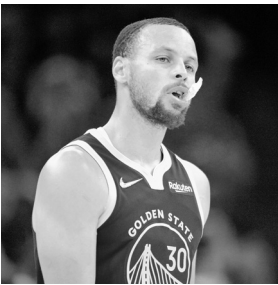
"He's a great, great player for a reason," Kerr said. "No matter what you throw at him, he's going to get his numbers. I think what you have to do is try to decide, like I said, what's the best strategy with our personnel and what's the best way to try and win the game. Do you limit him? Do you limit other guys?"

Morant scored 14 in the first quarter as Payton picked up two quick fouls before going to the bench. Payton called the challenge of defending Morant fun, though it's probably not how everyone would like to spend an afternoon.

As for the missed layup, Morant's teammates couldn't believe it didn't go in.

"It's a shot he can make in his sleep," Grizzlies forward Jaren Jackson Jr. said. "He had a running start and his body was really going forward, so this is just a little hard but he knows. I'm with that shot every day of the week."

Basketball fans might want to stay with this series the next few games.



Warriors guard Stephen Curry, above, on battling the Grizzlies' Ja Morant: "... Friendly competition. Just enjoying the moment." BRANDON DILL/AP

## TUESDAY'S GAMES

### Celtics vs. Bucks

**Where, time, TV:** Boston; 7 p.m. EDT; TNT.  
**Bottom line:** The defending champion Bucks lead the Eastern Conference semifinal series 1-0 after earning a 101-89 road win Sunday. Jrue Holiday had 25 points and Giannis Antetokounmpo had a triple-double (24 points, 13 rebounds, 12 assists) for the third-seeded Bucks. Jayson Tatum scored 21 points for the second-seeded Celtics.

### Grizzlies vs. Warriors

**Where, time, TV:** Memphis; 9:30 p.m. EDT; TNT.  
**Bottom line:** The third-seeded Warriors lead the Western Conference semifinal series 1-0 after earning a 117-116 road win Sunday. Jordan Poole had 31 points in the victory. Ja Morant scored 34 points for the second-seeded Grizzlies.



# SCOREBOARD

## NBA

### PLAYOFF SCHEDULE

#### EAST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

##### #1 Miami vs. #4 Philadelphia

**Monday:** at Miami, late

**Wednesday:** at Miami, 7:30 p.m.

**Friday:** at Philadelphia, 7 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Philadelpia, 8 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Miami, TBD

**x-May 12:** at Philadelphia, TBD

**x-May 15:** at at Miami, TBD

##### #3 Milwaukee 1, #2 Boston 0

**May 1:** Milwaukee 101-89

**Tuesday:** at Boston, 7 p.m.

**May 7:** at Milwaukee, 3:30 p.m.

**May 9:** at Milwaukee, 7:30 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at Boston, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Milwaukee, TBD

**x-May 15:** at Boston, TBD

### WEST CONFERENCE SEMIFINALS

##### #1 Phoenix vs. #4 Dallas

**Monday:** at Phoenix, late

**Wednesday:** at Phoenix, 10 p.m.

**Friday:** at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Dallas, 3:30 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Phoenix, TBD

**x-May 12:** at Dallas, TBD

**x-May 15:** at Phoenix, TBD

##### #3 Golden State 1, #2 Memphis 0

**May 1:** Golden State 117-116

**Tuesday:** at Memphis, 9:30 p.m.

**May 7:** at Golden State, 8:30 p.m.

**May 9:** at Golden State, 10 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at Memphis, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Golden State, TBD

**May 16:** at Mephis, TBD

### FEWEST 2-POINT FIELD GOALS, PLAYOFF GAME, 1990-PRESENT

DATE	TM	OPP	2P	3P	3A
2017-5-11	Hou	SA	9	37	13
2022-5-1	Bos	Mil	10	34	18
2019-4-22	Hou	Utah	11	33	17
2019-5-23	Tor	Mil	13	41	18
2020-9-6	Hou	LAL	13	25	22
2004-5-3	NJ	Det	14	52	5
2016-5-21	Cle	Tor	14	38	14
2020-8-21	Brk	Tor	14	39	16
2020-9-10	Hou	LAL	14	32	14
2002-5-8	Det	Bos	15	53	12
2005-4-30	Ind	Bos	15	57	29
2007-4-26	Hou	Utah	15	45	6
2009-4-27	NO	Den	15	39	2
2009-6-04	Orl	LAL	15	54	8
2010-4-26	Orl	Char	15	34	23
2016-5-28	GS	OKC	15	43	21
2022-4-24	Atl	Mia	15	33	15

source: basketball-reference; through Sunday

## WNBA

### REGULAR SEASON SCHEDULE

#### FRIDAY'S GAMES

Indiana at Washington, 7p.m.

Los Angeles at Chicago, 8p.m.

Las Vegas at Phoenix, 10p.m.

Minnesota at Seattle, 10p.m.

#### SATURDAY'S GAMES

Connecticut at New York, 6p.m.

Atlanta at Dallas, 8p.m.

#### SUNDAY'S GAMES

Los Angeles at Indiana, 3p.m.

Washington at Minnesota, 8p.m.

Seattle at Las Vegas, 10p.m.

## AUTO RACING

### NASCAR CUP SERIES DURAMAX DRYDENE 400

**Monday at Dover Motor Speedway, Dover, Del., Lap length: 1 mile**

FN	ST	DRIVER	M LAP	RAT PT
1	4	Chase Elliott	C 400	132.8 50
2	15	Ricky Stenhouse Jr	C 400	102.8 41
3	7	Ross Chastain	C 400	125.2 46
4	17	Christopher Bell	T 400	91.5 41
6	6	Alex Bowman	C 400	109.1 40
5	3	Kyle Larson	C 400	99.6 36
7	10	Kyle Busch	T 400	120.7 41
8	1	Chris Buescher	F 400	101.6 34
9	11	Kevin Harvick	F 400	90.6 28
10	25	Erik Jones	C 400	82.2 31
11	14	Justin Haley	C 400	82.3 26
12	18	Martin Truex Jr	T 400	104.7 38
13	23	Chase Briscoe	F 400	60.6 24
14	8	Daniel Suárez	C 400	66.1 23
15	30	Cole Custer	F 400	52.5 22
16	9	Bubba Wallace	T 399	66.6 21
17	29	Michael McDowell	F 399	54.5 20
18	21	Corey Lajoie	C 399	55.6 19
19	27	Aric Almirola	F 399	62.9 18
20	20	Brad Keselowski	F 399	65.7 18
21	22	Denny Hamlin	T 399	86.2 26
22	33	William Byron	C 399	68.2 19
23	24	Austin Dillon	C 398	44.0 14
24	35	Harrison Burton	F 398	41.0 16
25	13	Ryan Preece	F 398	59.1 0
26	5	Ryan Blaney	F 397	67.6 21
27	31	Ty Dillon	C 396	38.3 10
28	34	Todd Gilliland	F 396	34.4 9
29	22	Joey Logano	F 396	39.5 8
30	26	Tyler Reddick	C 390	43.4 7
31	16	Kurt Busch	T 388	43.7 6
32	36	Josh Billicki	C 381	26.7 0
33	19	AJ Allmendinger	C 382-b	62.6 0
34	28	Cody Ware	F238-d31-8	3
35	32	BJ McLeod	F167-b	24.8 2
36	12	Austin Cindric	F 91-d	46.9 1

b-brakes; d-dvp; C-Chevrolet; F-Ford; T-Toyota

**Time of race:** 3:49:39

**Average speed:** 104.507 mph

**Pole speed:** 160.149 mph

**Cautions:** 13 for 75 laps

**Margin of victory:** under caution

**Attendance:** n/a

**Lead changes:** 17

**Green flag passes:** 1,511 (4.6 per green flag lap)

**Top 10 in Stage 1:** #11, 9, 20, 1, 19, 5, 24, 17, 18, 6

**Top 10 in Stage 2:** #12, 18, 48, 19, 47, 1, 43, 21, 17, 9

### NASCAR CUP SERIES

#### MANUFACTURERS STANDINGS

RK	MAKE	PTS	PB	W
1	Chevrolet	411	—	7
2	Toyota	375	-36	2
3	Ford	366	-45	2

## TENNIS

### MUTUA MADRID OPEN

**At Caja Magica, Madrid, Red clay-out**

#### MEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 64

#9 Cameron Norrie d. Kwon Soon Woo, 7-5, 7-5.

#10 Jannik Sinner d. Tommy Paul, 6-7(4), 7-6(4), 6-3.

#13 Diego Schwartzman d.

Benoit Paire, 6-2, 6-7(5), 6-1.

#14 Denis Shapovalov d. Ugo Humbert, 7-6(1), 6-3.

Alejandro Davidovich Fokina d.

Lloyd Harris, 7-5, 6-3.

Alex de Minaur d. Pedro Martinez, 7-6(2), 1-6, 6-3.

Gael Monfils d. Carlos Gimeno Valero, 6-3, 6-0.

Dusan Lajovic d. Borna Coric, 6-3, 4-6, 6-4.

Nikoloz Basilashvili d. Fabio Fognini, 7-5, 6-4.

Lorenzo Musetti d. Ilya Ivashka, 2-6, 6-3, 7-5.

David Goffin d. Aslan Karatsev, 6-2, 7-5.

Grigor Dimitrov d. Maxime Cressy, 6-2, 7-6(4).

Andy Murray d. Dominic Thiem, 6-3, 6-4.

Lucas Pouille d. Karen Khachanov, 6-3, 6-4.

#### WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 16

#8 Ons Jabeur d.#11 Belinda Bencic, 6-2, 3-6, 6-2.

Simona Halep d. #14 Coco Gauff, 6-4, 6-4.

Amanda Anisimova d.

#15 Victoria Azarenka, 6-1, 6-4.

Ekatrina Alexandrova d.

Marie Bouzkova, 6-7(4), 6-0, 7-5.

#### WTA L' OPEN 35 DE SAINT MALO

**At Saint Malo, France; clay-outdoors**

#### WOMEN'S SINGLES, ROUND OF 32

Tamara Korpatsch d. Anna-Karolina Schmiedlova, 3-6, 6-2, 6-4.

Madda Linette d. Jessica Ponchet, 7-6(2), 6-3.

Heather Watson d. Tessah

Andrianjaftrimo, 7-6(3), 6-1.

Anna Blinkova d. Harmony Tan, 6-1, 4-6, 6-0.

Madison Brengle d. Lauren Davis, 7-5, 6-1.

Rebecca Marino d. Anna Kalinskaya, 3-6, 6-3, 6-4.

## NHL

### STANLEY CUP PLAYOFFS

#### FIRST ROUND

(Best-of-7; x-if necessary)

##### EASTERN CONFERENCE

**Carolina vs. Boston**

**Monday:** at Carolina, late

**Wednesday:** at Carolina, 7 p.m.

**Friday:** at Boston, 7 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Boston, 12:30 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Carolina, TBD

**x-May 12:** at Boston, TBD

**x-May 14:** at Carolina, TBD

##### N.Y. Rangers vs. Pittsburgh

**Tuesday:** at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.

**Thursday:** at N.Y. Rangers, 7 p.m.

**Saturday:** at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

**May 9:** at Pittsburgh, 7 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at N.Y. Rangers, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Pittsburgh, TBD

**x-May 15:** at N.Y. Rangers, TBD

##### Toronto vs. Tampa Bay

**Monday:** at Toronto, late

**Wednesday:** at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.

**Friday:** at Tampa Bay, 7:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Tampa Bay, 7 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Toronto, TBD

**x-May 12:** at Tampa Bay, TBD

**x-May 14:** at Toronto, TBD

##### Florida vs. Washington

**Tuesday:** at Florida, 7:30 p.m.

**Thursday:** at Florida, 7:30 p.m.

**Saturday:** at Washington, 1 p.m.

**May 9:** at Washington, 7 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at Florida, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Washington, TBD

**x-May 15:** at Florida, TBD

### WESTERN CONFERENCE

#### Calgary vs. Dallas

**Tuesday:** at Calgary, 10 p.m.

**Thursday:** at Calgary, 10 p.m.

**Saturday:** at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.

**May 9:** at Dallas, 9:30 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at Calgary, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Dallas, TBD

**x-May 15:** at Calgary, TBD

##### Edmonton vs. Los Angeles

**Monday:** at Edmonton, late

**Wednesday:** at Edmonton, 10 p.m.

**Friday:** at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

**Sunday:** at Los Angeles, 10 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Edmonton, TBD

**x-May 12:** at Los Angeles, TBD

**x-May 14:** at Edmonton, TBD

##### Colorado vs. Nashville

**Tuesday:** at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.

**Thursday:** at Colorado, 9:30 p.m.

**Saturday:** at Nashville, 4:30 p.m.

**May 9:** at Nashville, 9:30 p.m.

**x-May 11:** at Colorado, TBD

**x-May 13:** at Nashville, TBD

**x-May 15:** Nashville at Colorado, TBD

##### Minnesota vs. St. Louis

**Monday:** at Minnesota, late

**Wednesday:** at Minnesota, 9:30 p.m.

**Friday:** at St. Louis, 9:30 p.m.

**Sunday:** at St. Louis, 4:30 p.m.

**x-May 10:** at Minnesota, TBD

**x-May 12:** at St. Louis, TBD

**x-May 14:** at Minnesota, TBD

## SOCCER

### MAJOR LEAGUE SOCCER




#### EASTERN

TEAM	W	L	T	PT	GF	GA
Philadelphia	5	1	3	18	13	6
N.Y. Red Bulls	5	2	2	17	15	7
Orlando City	5	3	2	17	12	11
CF Montreal	4	3	2	14	16	18
New York City FC	4	3	1	13	19	10
Columbus	3	3	3	12	13	9
Atlanta	3	4	2	11	11	13
Toronto FC	3	4	2	11	16	19
New England	3	5	1	10	14	16
Charlotte FC	3	6	1	10	9	13
Cincinnati	3	5	1	10	11	17
Inter Miami CF	3	5	1	10	9	18
Chicago	2	3	4	10	6	7
D.C. United	3	5	0	9	10	13
<b>WESTERN</b>	<b>W</b>	<b>L</b>	<b>T</b>	<b>PT</b>	<b>GF</b>	<b>GA</b>
Los Angeles FC	7	1	1	22	21	8
Austin FC	6	1	2	20	22	8
LA Galaxy	5	3	1	16	10	7
FC Dallas	4	1	4	16	14	7
Real Salt Lake	4	2	4	16	10	13



WEATHER

TUESDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Mostly cloudy and pleasant. Northeast winds turning east at 5 to 10 mph.

HIGH 61°  
LOW 48°

WEDNESDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Mostly cloudy with showers, tapering off late in the day.

HIGH 60°  
LOW 47°

THURSDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Partly sunny and mild.

HIGH 72°  
LOW 48°

FRIDAY






SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Mostly cloudy with a shower possible.

HIGH 65°  
LOW 45°

SATURDAY



SUNRISE NOON SUNSET

Mostly cloudy.

HIGH 62°  
LOW 41°

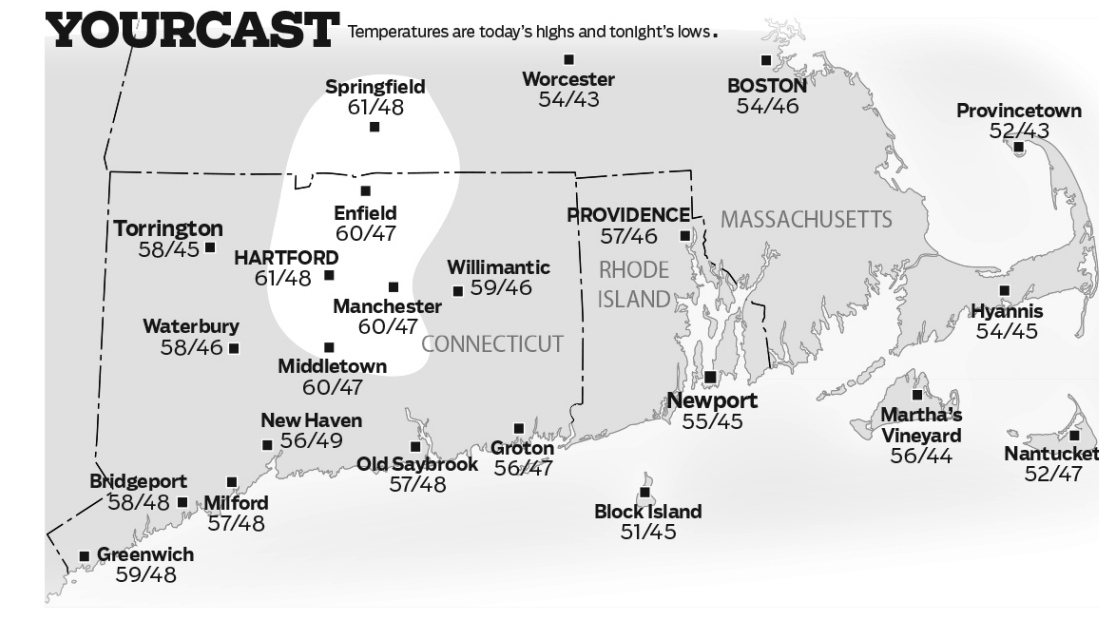
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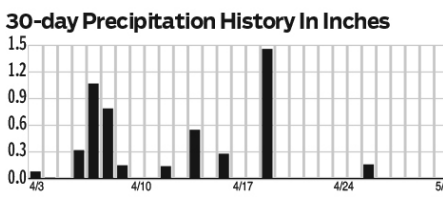
The first disturbance of the week moved through the region on Monday with clouds and some showers, now Tuesday there will be a dry spell before the second system moves in later tonight with showers. Today will be mostly cloudy, but there could be some breaks of sunshine from time to time. High temperatures will be in the 50s and lower 60s. Showers are likely Wednesday morning and into the afternoon before tapering off. Thursday will be the nicest day of the week with a partly sunny sky and high temperatures that will range from the 60s into the lower 70s.

-Gary Lessc

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Precipitation In Inches	Total	Normal
Yesterday (by 7 p.m.)	0.01	0.12
Month to date	0.01	0.24
Total this year	14.71	14.34

Precipitation, temperature at Windsor Locks



Tides	High	Low	Temp
N.L. State Pier	a.m.	6:18 a.m.	54
Saybrook Jetty	12:04 p.m.	6:08 p.m.	
Connecticut River at Portland	1:15 p.m.	7:01 p.m.	
Madison	3:24 a.m.	10:57 a.m.	52
	3:58 p.m.	10:47 p.m.	
New Haven	1:00 a.m.	7:22 a.m.	52
	1:35 p.m.	7:27 p.m.	
	1:20 a.m.	7:46 a.m.	51
	1:55 p.m.	7:51 p.m.	
Stamford	1:24 a.m.	8:00 a.m.	51
	1:59 p.m.	8:05 p.m.	

River Stage at Hartford: 5.53 feet at 5:30 p.m.

Boating	L.I. Sound W	L.I. Sound E	B.I. Sound
Weather	MCloudy	MCloudy	MCloudy
Wind	NE, 5-15	NE, 5-15	NE, 10-15
Seas	1 ft.	2-3 ft.	3-4 ft.

Air Quality Today	Good 40
Ultraviolet Index Today	Moderate 3
Pollen Count Yesterday	Moderate Trees
Wind Chill Today	43°
Today	Sunrise 5:45 a.m.
Tomorrow	Sunrise 5:44 a.m.
	Sunset 7:50 p.m.
	Sunset 7:51 p.m.
	Moonrise 7:15 a.m.
	Moonrise 7:54 a.m.
	Moonset 11:00 p.m.
	Moonset 11:57 p.m.

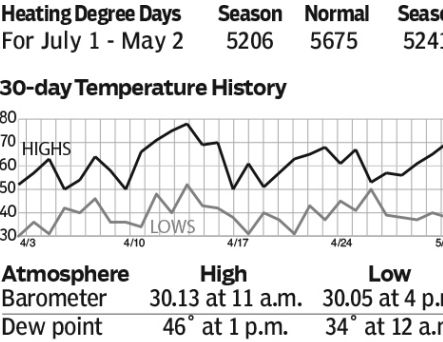
First	May 8
Full	May 16
Last	May 22
New	May 30

Temperature	High	Low
Monday	60 at 3:02 p.m.	48 at 3:11 a.m.
Normal for date	68	44
Record for date	93 in 2001	30 in 1943
A year ago	80	48
Range this year	78	-2

Heating Degree Days

Season	Normal	Last Season
For July 1 - May 2	5206	5675

30-day Temperature History



Atmosphere	High	Low
Barometer	30.13 at 11 a.m.	30.05 at 4 p.m.
Dew point	46° at 1 p.m.	34° at 12 a.m.

AROUND THE WORLD

Today's forecast in cities not included in the maps above:

NEW ENGLAND	Bangor 60 40 PC Burlington 61 48 C Caribou 62 41 PC Concord 56 44 C Montpelier 56 42 C Mt. Wash. 37 28 C Portland 54 42 PC Woods Hole 53 45 C	Baltimore 73 56 C Bismarck 57 34 PC Boise 61 38 PC Buffalo 64 49 SH Charleston 86 69 PC Cincinnati 74 55 T Cleveland 69 51 T Indianapolis 72 49 T Jacksonville 86 66 PC Las Vegas 81 60 S Miami Beach 82 75 PC Milwaukee 44 36 R	Nashville 81 60 C New Orleans 86 71 PC New York 62 50 C Okla. City 68 54 PC Omaha 58 41 C Orlando 89 69 PC Pittsburgh 72 55 SH Raleigh 86 65 PC St. Louis 68 50 C Salt Lake City 49 39 SH San Antonio 90 73 PC San Diego 63 58 C	San Juan 86 76 C Tucson 90 59 S	WORLD	Budapest 72 49 PC Buenos Aires 66 48 PC Cairo 91 64 S Cancun 87 76 PC Dubai 91 77 S Edinburgh 59 46 SH Helsinki 53 46 SH Hong Kong 48 30 PC Istanbul 61 50 T Jerusalem 86 68 S Johannesburg 70 45 S Singapore 86 75 SH	Stockholm 51 30 PC Sydney 75 55 PC Tel Aviv 83 61 S Tokyo 70 57 S Toronto 55 54 SH Vancouver 57 46 R Warsaw 64 43 S
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MONDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL RESULTS

BASEBALL
CCC-North NEWINGTON AT WETHERSFIELD, PPD. CCC-South BRISTOL CENTRAL AT BRISTOL EASTERN, PPD. CCC-East RHAM 5, TOLLAND 4 T 300-001-0-4-9-0 R 021-020-x-5-6-1 WP: Fayz Baig. LP: Matthew Haggerty. HR: R—Max Nylen. Rec.: R—9-1; T—8-4. Note: Baig was 2-for-4with a double, 2RBI. Nylen had a 2-run homer. Joe Keane and Evan Albert each had 2 hits for Tolland. CCC-West SIMSBURY 8, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 5 (8) CCC-Inter WINDSOR 13, PLATT 3 P 000-030-0-3-5-3 W 216-300-x-13-11-1 WP: Nate Acabchuk. LP: Trent D'aniello. Rec.: W—11-0; P—9-3. HALL 9, E.O. SMITH 1 MAINE 9, GASTONBURY 0 BERLIN 9, EAST HARTFORD 0 AVON 13, HARTFORD PUBLIC/HMTCA 3 FARMINGTON 9, NEW BRITAIN 3 MALONEY 5, EAST CATHOLIC 3 BLOOMFIELD CO-OP AT CONARD, PPD. LEWIS MILLS AT ENFIELD, PPD. PLAINVILLE AT ROCKY HILL, PPD. SOUTHINGTON AT SOUTH WINDSOR, PPD. NCCC ELLINGTON 7, ROCKVILLE 2 E 001-042-0-7-14-0 R 000-101-0-2-4-1 WP: Ryan Delaney. LP: Jacob Niemczyk. Rec.: E—7-3; R—6-6. EAST GRANBY 16, EAST WINDSOR 2 SUFFIELD 3, WINDSOR LOCKS 0 STAFFORD 10, SOMERS 5 Shoreline OLD SAYBROOK 9, HALE-RAY 8 VALLEY REGIONAL 13, HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH 3 COGINCHAUG AT OLD LYME, PPD. WESTBROOK AT MORGAN, PPD. CROMWELL AT MORGAN, PPD. CTC WINDHAM TECH 6, ELLIS TECH 5 O'BRIEN TECH 11, WILCOX TECH 4 CHENEY TECH 13, VINAL TECH 3 PRINCE TECH AT GOODWIN TECH, PPD. CRAL PARISH HILL 17, MLC 11 MLC 034-300-1-11-7-0 PH 440-108-x-17-18-1 WP: Cameron Bill. LP: Trey Moses. Rec.: PH—2-6; MLC—4-6. INNOVATION 7, WEAVER 1 CIVIC LEADERSHIP 22, CAPITAL PREP 5 SCC LYMAN HALL 8, LAW 3 CHESHIRE AT AMITY, PPD. HAND AT GUILFORD, PPD. FAIRFIELD PREP AT XAVIER, PPD. SHEEHAN AT SHELTON, PPD. ECC BACON ACADEMY 10, EAST LYME 3 E 020-000-1-3-10-1 BA 324-100-x-10-14-1 WP: Chris Lusignan. LP: Alex Dreyfus. HR: BA—Alex Blanchette, Steven Laliberte. Rec.: BA—11-1; EL—7-6. Note: Blanchette (2-for-3, 2RBI) and Laliberte (2-for-4, 2RBI) both hit their first career varsity home runs. Lusignan (4-0) tossed a complete game with 7strikeouts. Others WINDHAM 10, BOLTON 7 WP: Victor Mejia. LP: Cal Bulley. HR: W—Mejia, Jack Valliere. Rec.: W—4-8; B—0-10. Note: Mejia was 3-for-4with 3RBI and Valliere was 2-for-2 with 2RBI. Darren DeGray was 2-for-4with 3RBI for Bolton. HILLHOUSE/CAREER 15, UNIVERSITY/CLASSICAL 0 (5)

SOFTBALL
CCC-South PLAINVILLE 7, PLATT 1 CCC-West CONARD 18, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 3 CCC-Inter EAST CATHOLIC 30, NEW BRITAIN 15 (5) EC (11)53-65-x-30-26-3 NB 224-51-15-9-5 WP: Kylie Bancharth. LP: Cristina Velez. HR: EC—Ally Parent (3), Rachel Shaw (2), Ciara Flaherty, Marina Juan; NB—Kelly Alape, Liana Silva. Rec.: EC—4-5; NB—1-8. Note: Shaw was 4-for-4with 2homers, 8RBI and Parent had 4hits (3home runs) and 6RBI. ENFIELD 6, WETHERSFIELD 0 W 000-000-0-0-1-0 E 400-200-x-6-11-3 WP: Tiffany Lubanski. LP: Juliana Marchettini. Rec.: E—10-2; W—7-3. Note: Meredith Higgins was 3-for-4with a triple, 2run scored and Taylor Lathrop had a double, 2RBI for Enfield. AVON 12, EAST HARTFORD 0 (5) EH 000-00-0-0-0-0 A 208-11-12-5-1 WP: Michalina Centofanti. LP: Eliana Tena. Rec.: A—5-3; EH—2-10. Note: Centofanti tossed a no-hitter with 9strikeouts, 5walks. Amanda Hasler was 2-for-2with 2RBI, 4runs scored. E.O. SMITH 8, NEWINGTON 7 EOS 101-050-1-6-8-4 N 002-130-1-7-7-4 WP: Ashley Lewis. LP: Jaelyn Gonzalez. Rec.: EOS—5-5; N—6-3. Note: Rachel Morales had a walk-off RBI double. Lewis struck out 13and had 2triples and the plate. ROCKY HILL 21, TOLLAND 2 (5) T 000-20-2-4-6 RH 677-1x-21-11-3 WP: Shauna Kehoe. LP: Casey Shorts. HR: RH—Erin Flavin. Rec.: RH—7-4; T—7-4. Note: Flavin had 5RBI. GLASTONBURY 15, SOUTH WINDSOR 1 (5) BERLIN 20, FARMINGTON 0 MIDDLETOWN AT BLOOMFIELD, PPD. MANCHESTER AT BRISTOL CENTRAL, PPD. MALONEY AT WINDSOR, PPD. HARTFORD PUBLIC AT SIMSBURY, PPD. BRISTOL EASTERN AT SOUTHINGTON, PPD. HALL AT LEWIS MILLS, PPD. NCCC EAST WINDSOR/SMSA 6, WINDSOR LOCKS 5 WL 101-001-2-5 EW 000-101-4-6 WP: Abby Lee. LP: Rene Homan. HR: EW—Lee; WL—Angelina Jones (2), Marena Demonti. Rec.: EW—5-5; WL—3-6. Note: Katie Blume had 2hits, 2RBI, including the game-winning RBI in the 7th. Lee had 12strikeouts and was 2-for-3with a solo homer. Jones had 2solo home runs and Demonti had a 2-run blast in the 7th. SOMERS 14, STAFFORD 0 Shoreline HALE-RAY 17-17, OLD SAYBROOK 5-4 CROMWELL AT MORGAN, PPD. HADDAM-KILLINGWORTH AT VALLEY REGIONAL, PPD. OLD LYME AT COGINCHAUG, PPD. EAST HAMPTON AT NORTH BRANFORD, PPD. CTC ELLIS TECH 18, WINDHAM TECH 9 VINAL TECH 18, CHENEY TECH 16 GOODWIN TECH AT PRINCE TECH, PPD. WILCOX TECH AT O'BRIEN TECH, PPD. CRAL CIVIC LEADERSHIP AT/EROSPACE 17, CAPITAL PREP 4 CP 200-001-1-4-1-6 CLA 560-204-x-17-10-0 WP: Jenna Tinker. LP: Jenessa Pearson. HR: CLA—Bella Bordieri. Rec.: CLA—10-1; CP—0-3. INNOVATION 8, WEAVER 7 PARISH HILL 18, MLC 4 SCC GUILFORD 14, MERCY 2 (6) LAURALTON HALL AT CHESHIRE, PPD. HAND AT NORTH HAVEN, PPD. Others NORTHWESTERN 6, GRANBY 0 EAST GRANBY 25, UNIVERSITY/CLASSICAL 4 ST. PAUL AT ELLINGTON, PPD.

BOYS LACROSSE
CCC-South MALONEY/PLATT 5, ENFIELD 3 CCC-Inter EAST CATHOLIC 6, FARMINGTON 4 Goals: EC—Matt Zazzaro (2), Jake Carbone, AJ Bushnell, Brady Hemenway, Tom Flynn; F—Tyler Stoneman, Josh Wager, Elliot Stambaugh, Lucas Dublos. Saves: EC—Owen Bergquist, 8; F—Harrison Slade, 11. Rec.: EC—7-2; F—5-4. CONARD 19, ROCKY HILL 1 GLASTONBURY 20, BERLIN 1 HALL 13, NORTHWEST CATHOLIC 11

BOYS VOLLEYBALL
CCC-West MALONEY 3, HALL 2 CCC-Inter NEWINGTON 3, NEW BRITAIN 1 (25-22, 25-23, 19-25, 25-20) N: Trey Guest, 25kills, 12digs, 4blocks, Jacob Lawless, 45assists, 5blocks; NB: Anthony Olmeda, 22assists, 14kills, Davin Siharth, 19 assists, 17kills. Rec.: N—8-3; NB—5-5. FARMINGTON 3, WETHERSFIELD 0 (25-17, 25-17, 25-20) F: Mark Chernyak, 9kills, 6blocks, Nick Hummennyj, 7kills, 6digs; W: Andrew Knapp, 10 kills. Rec.: F—7-4; W—2-8. ENFIELD 3, SOUTHINGTON 0 (25-19, 25-14, 25-16) E: Drew Rancourt, 17kills, 11digs, 1ace, John Bellafronte, 9kills, 2aces, 1block. Rec.: E—9-2; S—8-3. CONARD 3, EAST HARTFORD 0 (25-11, 25-14, 25-14) C: Jayden Du, 8aces, 6kills, 6digs, Hugh Baldwin, 13assists, 5kills. Rec.: C—6-3; EH—0-9. SIMSBURY 3, SOUTH WINDSOR 0 Others XAVIER 3, NEWTOWN 1 (25-13, 18-25, 29-27, 25-20) X: Rory McCormack, 19kills, 11digs, Brady Higgins, 44assists, 6digs, Peter O'Brien, 20digs, 13kills, 3aces; N: Thad Teraszewicz, 18kills, 8 digs, 2blocks. Rec.: X—8-4; N—8-4. CHESHIRE 3, BROOKFIELD 0

BOYS GOLF
CCC-East EAST CATHOLIC 170, E.O. SMITH 183 Medalist: Adam Eskin, East Catholic, 38at The Windham Club. CCC-Inter BRISTOL CENTRAL 169, WINDSOR 223 Medalist: Scott Petrosky, Bristol Central, 35at Pequabug GC, Bristol. CCC-South ROCKVILLE 201, EAST GRANBY 202 Medalist: Derek Rybczyk, East Granby, 46at Copper Hill CC, East Granby. CANTON 189, ELLINGTON 190 Medalist: Ryan Willey, East Windsor, 40at Ellington Ridge CC. SUFFIELD 173, SOMERS 195 Medalist: Leif Lindeland, Suffield at Airways Golf, Suffield. GRANBY 207, STAFFORD 254 Shoreline PORTLAND 165, OLD LYME 202 Medalist: Luke Stennett, Portland, 37at Portland GC. VALLEY REGIONAL 193, EAST HAMPTON 269 NORTH BRANFORD 177, OLD SAYBROOK 199 CTC WILCOX TECH 212, O'BRIEN TECH 215 NVL ST. PAUL 188, NAUGATUCK 195 Medalist: Brandon Frye, St. Paul, 39at Hope Brook GC, Naugatuck.

GIRLS GOLF
CCC-East WETHERSFIELD 191, EAST HARTFORD 283 Medalist: Sarah Morrissey, Wethersfield, 41at East Hartford GC. MANCHESTER 225, SOUTH WINDSOR 245 Medalist: Mikayla Evans, South Windsor, 50at Manchester CC. CCC-West HALL 192, SIMSBURY 206 Medalist: Annie DeSanto, Hall, 39at Rockledge GC, West Hartford.

BOYS TENNIS
CCC-East EAST HARTFORD 6, RHAM 1 NCCC GRANBY 7, SUFFIELD 0 Others ENFIELD CO-OP 6, WINDSOR LOCKS 1

GIRLS TENNIS
CCC-North NEWINGTON 7, BLOOMFIELD 0 CCC-East EAST HARTFORD 4, RHAM 2 Shoreline WESTBROOK 6, OLD SAYBROOK 0

TUESDAY'S HIGH SCHOOL SCHEDULE  
ALL GAMES AT 3:45 P.M. UNLESS NOTED

BASEBALL
CCC-North: Newington at Wethersfield, 4p.m. CCC-South: Bristol Central at Bristol Eastern, 6:30p.m. CCC-Inter: Bloomfield co-op at Conard; Lewis Mills at Enfield; Plainville at Rocky Hill; Southington at South Windsor, 5:15p.m. NCCC: Bolton at Stafford, 3:30p.m. Shoreline: Westbrook at Portland, 4p.m.; Cromwell at Morgan, 4p.m. CTC: Prince Tech at Goodwin Tech SCC: Cheshire at Amity ECC: Putnam at Bacon Academy, 4p.m. Others: Wright Tech at Sheehan; Innovation at SMSA, 4p.m.; NFA at Xavier, 7p.m.

SOFTBALL
CCC-Inter: Middletown at Bloomfield; Maloney at Windsor, 4:15p.m.; Hartford Public at Simsbury, 4:45p.m.; Northwest Catholic at Southington, 5p.m.; Hall at Lewis Mills, 5:15p.m. NCCC: Bolton at Stafford, 3:30p.m.; Coventry at Canton, 4:15p.m. Shoreline: Cromwell at Morgan, 4p.m.; Haddam-Killingworth at Valley Regional, 4p.m.; Old Lyme at Coganhaug, 5:15p.m. CTC: Goodwin Tech at Prince Tech, 5:30p.m. SCC: Mercy at Cheshire, 4:15p.m.; Lyman Hall at Sheehan, 6:30p.m. ECC: Bacon Academy at Windham, 4p.m. Others: HMTCA at Weaver; Wolcott at Bristol Central, 4:15p.m.; East Windsor/SMSA at University/Classical, 4:30p.m.; St. Paul at Ellington, 4:45p.m.

BOYS LACROSSE
CCC-South: Wethersfield at E.O. Smith, 4p.m. CCC-Inter: South Windsor at Avon, 4:30p.m. NCCC: Granby at Ellington, 4p.m.; Somers at Canton, 4:30p.m.; Rockville co-op at Suffield/Windor Locks, 6p.m. Shoreline: Morgan at Old Lyme; Valley Regional at Haddam-Killingworth, 4p.m.; North Branford at Cromwell, 4p.m. CTC: Vinal Tech/Goodwin Tech at Norwich Tech/Windham Tech Others: Capital Prep at St. Bernard/Wheeler, 4 p.m.; Windsor at East Lyme, 5p.m.

GIRLS LACROSSE
CCC-North: Simsbury at Glastonbury, 4p.m.; Avon at Southington, 4:30p.m.; Hall at South Windsor, 5p.m. CCC-Central: Berlin at Northwest Catholic, 4 p.m.; Tolland at RHAM, 4:30p.m.; Newington at Rocky Hill, 6p.m. CCC-South: Bristol Central at Lewis Mills, 4:30 p.m.; Middletown at Bristol Central, 4:30p.m.; E.O. Smith at Wethersfield, 4:30p.m. NCCC: Ellington at Granby, 4p.m.; Canton at Somers, 4:30p.m. Shoreline: Haddam-Killingworth at Valley Regional, 4p.m.; Old Lyme at Morgan, 5:30p.m. SCC: Branford at Mercy; Guilford at Hand, 5:30p.m.

TRACK & FIELD
CCC-North: Windsor at New Britain; Bulkeley, Hartford Public, Rocky Hill at Wethersfield; Newington at Bloomfield CCC-South: Lewis Mills at Platt; Bristol Central at Plainville; Maloney at Berlin; Middletown at Bristol Eastern CCC-East: Tolland at Manchester; East Catholic at East Hartford; RHAM at E.O. Smith CCC-West: Hall at Glastonbury; Northwest Catholic at Farmington; Avon at Conard NCCC: Rockville, Stafford at Ellington, 4p.m.; Canton, HMTCA at Suffield, 4p.m. Shoreline: Old Lyme, North Branford at East Hampton, 3:30p.m.; Coganhaug, Hale-Ray at Old Saybrook, 3:30p.m.; Valley Regional, Westbrook at Haddam-Killingworth, 3:30p.m. CRAL: CRAL League Meet (Weaver HS), 3:30p.m. SCC: Hand, Amity, Branford at Sheehan, 4p.m. NVL: St. Paul at Derby, 5p.m. Others: Civic Leadership, East Windsor, SMSA at Coventry, 4p.m.

BOYS TENNIS
CCC-South: Bristol Eastern at Lewis Mills, 4:30 p.m. CCC-East: Tolland at South Windsor CCC-West: Hall at Farmington; Southington at Simsbury; Conard at Avon, 5p.m. CCC-Inter: Northwest Catholic at Rocky Hill; Manchester at Platt/Maloney, 4p.m.; Newington at Berlin, 5p.m. NCCC: Granby at Ellington Shoreline: Cromwell at Morgan; Old Lyme at Coganhaug; East Hampton at Old Saybrook SCC: Cheshire at Law; Lyman Hall at Career; Hand at Sheehan Others: Rockville at East Hartford; Canton/East Granby at Northwestern; Wilbur Cross at New Britain

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